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## Sunday In The Park



The Wreck Room and Faces teams competed with each other on a recent Sunday at noon in the park at 21st and C St.

Photo by Jeff Lujan

## TVC Lobby Fined By California FPPC

By Marghe Covino  
OF MGW STAFF

Sacramento, CA—The Traditional Values Coalition (TVC), California's leading homophobic lobbying organization, was given the maximum fine for a campaign violation by the California Fair Political Practices Commission on Thursday, Aug. 6.

The organization is headed by the Rev. Louis Sheldon who is described in FPPC paperwork as "a high-profile opponent of gay rights legislation. Indeed, Sheldon has been prospering from that position since he started in the 1970s as an aide to California legislator, John Briggs who proposed the notorious amendment 6, to remove all gay and lesbian teachers from the public school system.

In 1983 Sheldon launched his lobby and has since profited by rabble-rousing fundamentalist Christians in Massachusetts, Colorado, Oregon and other areas as well as many cities in California, to start referendums, ordinances or other legislation to restrict the rights

of gays and lesbians to housing and jobs.

He has been a key figure in the religious right-wing takeover of the California Republican Party. A measure of his success can be noted in that he is now considered to be an "advisor" to the Bush campaign.

Sheldon did not appear at the Commission hearing because the complaint and penalty had already been agreed upon. The \$2,000 fine was levied because on November 1, 1990 the Traditional Values Coalition made a \$6,000 contribution to San Franciscans for Common Sense Against Proposition K (the Domestic Partners ordinance), with a cashier's check which didn't have TVC's name on it.

Further, despite the fact that they knew the source, the SFCS-K reported that the source of the \$6,000 donation was "anonymous" on both a late contribution report and a semi-annual report.

California's Fair Political Practices Act states that no contribution of \$100 or more shall be made unless by written instrument containing the name of the donor and

the name of the payee.

Gay rights activists, Rev. Jerry Sloan of Project Tocsin and Everett Denman publisher of "D2" a legislative newsletter were skeptical of the FPPC proceeding. "I understand the FPPC attorney assigned to the case is very new," Sloan said, "my sources indicate that he's the newest, least informed and probably the most easily intimidated of the enforcement staff. The TVC people have been skating on the edge of this kind of thing for a long time—it's hard to believe that all they could come up with is one violation considering the pro-active gay-bashing activity the TVC is involved in. In all we've got to take a closer look at what they're doing—some of it may be legal—but is it moral?"

"It's a smorgasbord—they've got a tangle of organizations with 501 (c)3, 501 (c)4, and 501 (c)6 status and people are encouraged to contribute to the ones which will give them tax deductions—the whole thing is a real shell game and needs to be looked into further—much further," Denman said.▼

## Gay Publications Attract Mainstream Advertising

DALLAS (AP) Gay publications' clout is increasing as mainstream advertisers tap the gay market and find a lucrative niche.

Many say the growing interest by mainstream advertisers shows that the gay community is gaining credibility as an economic force.

"It's an overlooked market," said Albert Loftus, a salesman at Prestige Ford in Garland, which advertises in the "Dallas Voice." He says it's a market with huge potential.

A recent demographic survey by Chicago-based Simmons Market Research Bureau Inc. agrees. The research show there is high-product loyalty toward gay publication advertisers, The Dallas Morning News Reported.

The research showed 54.5 percent of the readers purchased an advertising product or service in the past 12 months. Nearly 80 percent of the readers patronized an advertised restaurant in the last year. More than 95 percent of the readers said they are likely to use the products or services advertised.

Readers also boast strong demographics: a mean individual income of \$35,800; 39.4 percent are

homeowners; and 52.9 percent are college graduates.

Running advertising in gay-oriented magazines and newspapers is a "direct invitation" to the gay community to patronize the businesses, said Robert Moore, who owns the "Dallas Voice." "That's because loyalty runs high among readers," he said.

Michael Gravois said a better understanding of the gay community as well as public education about AIDS has helped dispel apprehension among advertisers.

Gravois is president of Rivendell Marketing Co., a Plainfield, N.J.-based advertising representative firm that represents 175 client publications.

"Before, I had to knock on doors. Now I have trouble processing the calls," he said.

Michel Roux, president and chief executive officer of Carillon Importers Ltd., of Teaneck, N.J., was one of the first to put mainstream advertising in gay and minority publications. Now, he said he believes the advertising works.

"We believe in people," Roux said. "At the end of the day, people are just people."▼



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## write

### Assemblyman Confronts Bank Manager

The following letter was sent by Assemblyman Phillip Isenberg to Joe Bradley, Manager of the First Interstate Bank at 2031 K Street.

Dear Mr. Bradley:

The news of your decision to close the bank's ATM came as a surprise, especially in light of the fact that the ATM had a good safety record. Rumors are circulating that the bank's action may have been discriminatory toward gay residents and patrons of various midtown establishments. I hope those rumors are not accurate.

Certainly ATM crime does not appear to be the reason for the closure. The Sacramento Police Department reports there have been only two armed robberies at ATM's this year, and neither were at your office.

Midtown is a unique neighborhood with shops, sidewalk cafes, coffee houses and attractive Victorians that creates a certain vigor that's appealing and conducive to pedestrian traffic. The foot traffic that would be attributable to the ATM's use is now gone. It makes no sense to me to eliminate services that are designed to bring people out onto the streets when statistics show that increased pedestrian activity usually decreases the likelihood of crime.

I'd like you to seriously consider reopening the ATM, or, at the very least, move it to K Street so that my constituents and your patrons can enjoy the convenience of walking to the bank.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,  
Phillip Isenberg

I would also like to see in print the names of the AIDS services organizations willing to take any "blood money" from the proceedings - they have been notably silent. Surely there are better ways to raise monies for worthy causes.

Sincerely,  
Eric Mills  
Coordinator

### Star Trek Follow-up

Dear Editor

Last summer, Gene Roddenberry, (now deceased) creator of two *Star Trek* television series, released a statement to *The Advocate* confirming that viewers would see "gay crewmembers in day-to-day circumstances" on the 1991/1992 season of *Star Trek: The Next Generation*. Roddenberry's statement would appear to have been the result of a letter writing campaign begun by Franklin Hummel of the Gaylactic Network, an international umbrella organization of gay/lesbian science fiction clubs. While the spring episode "The Outcast" was an interesting sexual/gender parable, it did not end the invisibility of gays/lesbians in the *Star Trek* universe, as Roddenberry had stated. I hope your paper will follow up this matter with *Star Trek* co-producers Michael Piller and Rick Berman. I encourage your readers to write Piller and Berman (and a copy to Paramount Pictures chair Brandon Tartikoff at Paramount Pictures 5555 Melrose Ave., LA CA 90038) requesting that *Star Trek* include gays and lesbians.

Thank you

Sincerely yours,  
J. Desort, Jr.

### Mom Reads MGW

Dear Editor

I got a nice letter from the son of a woman I became friends with at the Capitol and I wanted to share it with you.

In case you can't read his handwriting, what he had to say about your paper is:

"About a month ago she (his mother) passed along a copy of MGW for my reading/scrutiny. Your writing certainly is an asset to this paper. I also enjoyed the lack of excessive advertising space so prevalent in gay publications. MGW does a nice layout." Take care,

John Mello

### Republican, Now Democrat!

Dear Editor,

In this crucial election year, I am compelled to offer a few comments about my life and about the Presidential election.

I had been a professional Republican most of my adult life, beginning as Chair of the Sacramento County Teenage Republicans in 1960. While I was attending the University of Oregon, I worked as a volunteer for then Governor Mark Hatfield and immediately upon graduation from college went to work for the California Republican Party as a Field Representative.

The years that I have served in the Deukmejian Administration as Director of the California Arts Council were watershed years for

me. I had the opportunity during those years to see the arts as a career. More importantly for me, I saw that gay people were living and working openly in the arts. During the last year in my position at the Arts Council, I accepted my sexual orientation as a gay man. Because of that my wife Nancy and I separated and divorced after sixteen years of marriage. Nancy is now as always my best friend and supporter. It's a shame the Republican Party is not. I know my sexual orientation is not welcome in the Republican Party of Ronald Reagan, George Bush and Dan Quayle, not to mention Pat Buchanan.

The Republican Party no longer addresses the issues I care about. You can be sure that issues of a woman's right to choose; care for our global environment; a national campaign to fight AIDS, national health care; public funding for the arts; freedom of expression and gay rights will not be a part of the 1992 GOP platform in Houston.

I can see no reason whatsoever for a gay person to be a Republican or to vote for George Bush for President in November. The Far Right who now control the party of Lincoln, wish to drive out all gay people. Bush is willing to appoint gay men and lesbian women to public office as we have seen quite recently, only if they are closeted and are willing to do the bidding of the Far Right.

In memory of my late father, Robert Reid, a lifetime Democrat and the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy, and in the spirit of my friend, Representative Maxine Waters of California, I have joined the Democratic Party.

Bill Clinton has a plan for America. Not since the days of Robert Kennedy has anyone used good old-fashioned rhetoric to talk about his goals and aspirations for this country. How exciting it is to see the possibility of someone running this country who cares about America. Most important to the arts in America, Bill Clinton has a plan to get the economy moving again.

I urge you to do something for your country. I urge you to vote for Bill Clinton and Al Gore in November: for the arts, for civil and human rights, and for our future.

Best Regards,  
Bob Reid

### Kmart

A Kmart Father's Day TV commercial featured an (apparently) gay couple. Checking out a fireplace display, one of the men asks, "Why don't you buy this for your father?" Replies the other, "My father doesn't own a fireplace." "No but we do," says the first, as he puts his arm around the other man's shoulder and the two men walk away.

Kmart, which ran a previous spot showing a woman shopper in a wheelchair, is evidently committed to breaking long-held taboos about who can or can not be represented in commercials. Interestingly, the company is already the target of a boycott called by fundamentalist American Family Association for selling *Playboy* in some stores.

Call Kmart toll free at 1-800-635-6278 (bigots call this number regularly to denounce the company!) or write Joseph Antonini, Kmart Corp., 3100 West Big Beaver Road, Troy, MI 48084.

### Gay Rodeo is Still Inhumane

Dear Editor

How ironic that such an activity as rodeo should take place in the City of Saint Francis, patron saint of animals. That it should be promoted by gay people, of all people, boggles the mind. Every local animal protection organization opposes all rodeos, be it the SPCA, S.F. Animal Control, The Fund for Animals, Feminists for Animal Rights, Animal Rights Connection, In Defense of Animals, etc.

While leafletting at the recent S.F. gay rodeo, I was very disheartened to see Supervisor Carole Migden in the role of "Grand Marshall," as she's so progressive on so many other issues. Surely she is aware of the problems. There has been much media coverage over the years, and the "Gays & Friends for Animal Rights" contingent has been marching in the Freedom Day Parade for 10 years. This ad hoc group was originally formed to combat a proposed S.F. gay rodeo.

Migden claims that gay rodeo is "more humane" than straight rodeo, and I agree that it is. But isn't that tantamount to saying that someone is "a little bit pregnant" or "a little bit raped?" For rodeo is animal abuse, impure and simple. As Sally Gearhard said, the animals don't consent. Reportedly, animals have been euthanized due to injuries suffered on the gay rodeo circuit. Migden needs to hear from us, 415-554-4033.

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# AB 2601 Alive And Well

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Sacramento, CA — In spite of at least two defections by legislators who promised to vote yes and heavy negative lobbying by Gov. Pete Wilson, the gay and lesbian right-to-work bill, AB 2601, is still alive.

The bill, authored by Assemblymember Terry Friedman, (D-Sherman Oaks) has been stalled in the Senate Appropriations Committee for weeks pending settlement of the budget crisis.

Last week Sen Ralph Dills (D-Gardena) and a long time supporter of gay rights, dismissed the committee's afternoon session and neglected to vote on the bill resulting in the failure of the bill to clear Appropriations by a single vote. Dills' action forced Friedman to schedule a second vote for Monday, August 10.

However, before the committee met on Monday morning, Friedman received a telephone call from Sen. Robert Beverly, (R-Manhattan Beach), and a long time gay rights supporter, who had spoken in favor of the bill and who had voted for it the previous week.

Beverly called to tell Friedman that if he allowed the bill to come up for a vote on Monday morning, Beverly would vote against the bill — thus leaving the bill one vote

short of passage once again.

Capitol insiders are certain that Wilson called upon his more than 20 year friendship with Beverly and asked him to withdraw his "yes" vote.

According to Laurie McBride, Executive Director for the Lobby for Individual Freedom and Equality, "The Governor tried to kill the bill. He's signing that he's going to veto his own veto message (on AB 101) — AB 2601 was crafted from his AB 101 veto message and answered every objection — this is unbelievable."

However, President Pro-Tem of the Senate, David Roberti (D-Los Angeles) stepped into the breach to keep the legislation alive. Although the committee chairperson, Sen. Robert Presley, (D-Riverside), opposes the bill, Roberti persuaded him to grant a waiver which will move the bill onto the Senate floor without another vote.

The waiver is reserved for bills which will have no fiscal impact. Therefore, AB 2601 will move out of Senate Appropriations at the discretion of the Chair (Presley) on a procedure reserved for bills with no fiscal impact. The procedure is called "twenty-eight eighting" a bill.

McBride, normally an even tempered person, was outraged at Wilson's maneuvers. "We're just

lucky that David Roberti was able to help save this legislation," she said. "I'm going to do everything I can to get this bill on the Senate floor and on to Pete Wilson's desk as soon as possible. If he's gonna veto it — then let him do it honestly. He just 'back-doored' us and then left town — so everybody's left to cope with the mess."

One insider agreed with McBride's assessment. "Wilson has a real credibility crisis going, he doesn't want that bill coming on to his desk because he can't stand either another series of demonstrations or the bullying from the religious right wing — the fundamentalists have got him so buffaloed he doesn't want to solve the budget issue so he doesn't have to go to the Republican Convention. If he gives a speech there the right wing will nail him," the source said. "He's really out of touch with his natural allies in his own party — even Barry Goldwater supported the gay rights issue in Phoenix."

A similar set of circumstances as those for AB 2601 was played out with AB 3019 the gay and lesbian rights bill authored by Assemblymember John Vasconcellos, (D-San Jose) as it passed out of Senate Appropriations on waivers.

Speaker Willie Brown's Omnibus Civil Rights Bill, AB 3825, which includes the language of the vetoed AB 101 is up for reconsideration in Senate Appropriations later in the week.▼

## Club Launches Program to Elect Democrats

The River City Democratic Club will contribute more than 500 hours of free time for local candidates in the November election, the club's officers announced and will raise more than \$5,000 for its endorsed candidates.

The volunteer campaign work and the fundraising will be conducted under a special program called River City 22.

The River City 22 program will start with a training session prepared specifically for participants in the program. Political campaign experts who will serve as trainers this Saturday August 15 include Joe Serna, mayor-elect; Michael Picker, West Coast Director of the National Toxics Campaign; and Luann Murikawa, fundraiser and campaign consultant. The training session will cover precinct walking, fundraising, telephone campaigning and get-out-the-vote work.

More participants are expected to join the program during the next several weeks. Phil Angelides, Chair of the California Democratic Party, will meet next month with the River

City 22 workers.

Under the terms of the program, each participant will complete at least 22 hours of volunteer campaign work for a Democratic candidate. The 22 hours will be divided into three activities: 16 hours of precinct walking, three hours of telephoning, and three hours of get-out-the-vote work on election day.

All participants will raise funds through a pledge program linked to their volunteer campaign work. They will secure pledges of cash donations for the hours of campaign work they perform.

Candidates will include River City 22 volunteers in their campaign strategy sessions so that the project participants will learn firsthand how a political campaign is run.

Candidates will be selected for the program on Monday August 17 when the River City Democratic Club holds its endorsements meeting for the November election. Only candidates endorsed by the club will be eligible to participate in River City 22.▼

## Gay Congressman Faces "Fight of My Life"

Because of a new Congressional redistricting map specifically designed to eliminate his base of political support, U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds faces the toughest campaign of his career.

"Things were tough enough before," said Studds, the first openly gay member of Congress. "Now the race is going to be the hardest of my life."

Under the new plan for Massachusetts' Congressional districts, Studds will lose 40% or 231,000 of the current constituents, including those in the City of New Bedford, a long-time stronghold. Massachusetts' convoluted map, the last to be finished in the country, was the

result of a year of partisan haggling, and guarantees that Studds will face not only a difficult general election campaign, but also a contentious primary challenge.

Congressman Studds has long been a Congressional leader on issues of consequence to the gay community. As a member of the Health Subcommittee, Studds has led the fight for increased AIDS funding, and for increased breast cancer research and reproductive rights protections. In addition, Studds has led the effort to overturn the ban on gays in the military and has worked to ease immigration policies for HIV positive individuals.▼

## Get Our Faces Known Vacancy Announcements

### County of Sacramento

The following committees and commissions have vacancies as listed below. Appointments are made by the Board of Supervisors. Applications are available at all public libraries and at the Board of Supervisors office at 700 H St, Suite 2450, 95814.

Commission/Committee	Opens	Closes	Type of Member
Advisory Board on Alcohol and Drug Problems		Open Filing	1 youth member
Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities	8/24/92	9/4/92	1 general member
Arden/Arcade Community Planning Advisory Council		Open Filing	4 residents of area
Area 4 Agency on Aging Assessments Appeals Board		Open Filing	1 general member
	7/27/92	8/7/92	2 members
Building Standards Board		Open Filing	2 alternates
Carmichael Community Planning Advisory Board		Open Filing	1 general member
Children's Commission		Open Filing	1 resident
Commission on Aging		Open Filing	1 consumer youth
Cordova Community Planning Advisory Council		Open Filing	5 residents (55+)
Cosumnes Area Community Planning Advisory Council		Open Filing	2 residents of area
County Service Area #4B (Wilton-Cosumnes)		Open Filing	3 residents of area
Developmental Disabilities Planning Council		Open Filing	1 resident of area
Elk Grove Community Planning Advisory Council		Open Filing	2 residents of area
Elk Grove-Cosumnes Cemetery District	7/27/92	8/7/92	1 attorney
Franklin/Laguna Area Comm. Planning Advisory Council		Open Filing	2 residents of area
Galt-Armo Cemetery District Law Library		Open Filing	2 members
Master Plan Advisory Body for Alcohol/Drug Problems	Keith Johnson, LIFE Lobby (444-0424)	Open Filing	3 seats
Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health Advisory Board		Open Filing	4 seats
Mental Health Advisory Board		Open Filing	1 resident of area
Mental Health Advisory Board		Open Filing	1 resident of area
Mission Oaks Rec. & Park Dist. Natamas Community Planning Advisory Council		Open Filing	1 public member
Noise Control Hearing Board		Open Filing	1 resident of area
North Highlands/Foothill Farms Community Planning Advisory Council		Open Filing	1 phy. hand. mbr.
Physically Handicapped Appeals Board		Open Filing	1 seat (Nom by Super. 1st Dist.)
Sacramento Commission of History & Science		Open Filing	6 residents of area
Southeast Area Community Planning Advisory Council		Open Filing	3 residents of area
South Sacramento Community Planning Advisory Council		Open Filing	3 residents of area
Vineyard Area Community Planning Advisory Council		Open Filing	

### City Of Sacramento

The City of Sacramento encourages citizens to apply for the following open positions on Citizen Advisory Boards and Commissions that advise the City. Apply to: City Clerk, City Hall - Room 303, 915 I St, 95814 or call 264-7200.

Commission/Committee	Opens	Closes	Type of Member
Affirmative Action Committee		Oct. 9	2 members
Human Rights/Fair Housing		Oct 9	7 members
Sacramento Heritage Commission		Sept 18	2 members
Construction Codes Advisory Committee		Sept 18	3 members

## World News Tonight

ABC's *World News Tonight* with Peter Jennings has taken the lead ahead of other network newscasts in its coverage of lesbian/gay issues.

On May 19, a report aired on the military's anti-gay witch hunts. On May 26, Dick Schaap profiled Bruce Hayes, an openly gay former Olympic gold medal winner (swimming) who is now working to promote the Gay Games.

On June 12, *World News Tonight* aired a story on the fight in Oregon against an anti-gay initiative that would ban gay rights protection, reporting the rise in anti-gay violence since the campaign began and the gay community's response.

*World News Tonight* shows just how invisible you are at CBS and NBC! Praise should go to Paul Friedman, Executive Producer, *World News Tonight*, ABC News, 47 w. 66th St., New York, NY 10023.

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Joseph's Town & Country	2062 Auburn Blvd.
Tower Books	2538 Watt at El Camino
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#### Outside Sacramento

Newsbeat Newstand	231 E Street #17, Davis
Vacaville Book Co.	315 Main Street, Vacaville
Tower Books/Chico	215 Main Street, Chico
A Different Light	489 Castro, S.F.

## Because...

Gay men and Lesbians are discriminated against in housing and employment and because how we act seems to be more important than who we are and if we get harassed it's our problem and if we get attacked we provoked it and if we raise our voices we're flaunting ourselves and if we enjoy sex we're perverts and if we have AIDS we deserve it and if we march with pride we're recruiting children and if we want or have children we're unfit parents and if we stand up for our rights we're overstepping our boundaries and because we are forced constantly to question our own worth as human beings and if we don't have a relationship with someone of the opposite sex we haven't given it a chance and if we have a relationship with someone of the same sex it is not recognized and we are told our love is not "real" and if we come out of this closet we're just going through a phase and because Lesbian and Gay history is virtually absent from literature and because homophobia is sanctioned by the Supreme Court and because the Oregon Citizens Alliance is perpetuating these lies and untruths and for lots of other reasons,

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## local news

### Bias Motivated Crimes Hotline Established

The Sacramento Police Department has in effect a telephone hotline phone number for reporting bias motivated crimes, more commonly known as "hate crimes." Bias motivated crimes are defined as "any criminal acts or attempted criminal acts to cause physical injury, emotional suffering, or property damage where there is a reasonable cause to believe that the crime was motivated in whole or in part, by the victim's race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or physical or mental disability."

The individual victims of bias motivated crimes are not the only ones affected. Families and entire communities can be threatened or harassed by bias motivated incidents.

The Sacramento Police Department views bias motivated crimes as a very serious offense, and it is

making every effort to accurately track these crimes. Unfortunately, unless these crimes are reported, the police can do little to apprehend the suspects. Citizens must do their part in keeping the police aware of when these incidents occur. The Sacramento Police Department feels the new hotline will be an important tool in reporting bias motivated crimes.

If you have just witnessed a crime or are a victim of a crime that has just occurred, please call 9-1-1. If you have information regarding a bias related incident you can call the Bias Related Crimes Hotline at 454-BIAS. If you wish, you may remain anonymous. The phone is answered Monday through Friday, between 8 am and 4 pm. At all other times the hotline will be a voice activated recording. For information: Bias Crimes Unit, 264-5771.▼

### Sacramento County Grand Jury Selected

The selection process for the 1992-93 Sacramento County Grand Jury has been completed. These 19 jurors are charged with conducting civil investigations of local governments, hearing evidence to decide whether to return criminal indictments, and responding to citizens' complaints.

The Grand Jury prepares an annual report of findings and recommendations regarding local government. This report will be available June 30, 1993.

A citizen's complaint form may be obtained by writing to the Grand Jury at 720 9th Street, Room 611, 95814, or by calling the Grand Jury Office at 440-7559.

Honorable James L. Long, Judge of the Superior Court, serves as the advisor to the Grand Jury. He has appointed Jerry Enomoto of Sacramento to serve as foreman.

The other jurors are: Thomas Brockman, L Kathryn Culver, Will Deguchi, Maria Ellering, Jennie Flynn, Grace Galligher, Takao Iwasa, Albert N. Koshiyama, Rose Marie McDuff, Jose Melendez, Jayna R. Popovich, Janet H. Sobolewski, Alice Sotelo, Melissa Takahashi, Suzanne R. Thelen, Sandra Van Dorst, Harold Watts, and Anne Wolf.▼

### Local Artists to Perform

Local Artists for Charity Events (L.A.C.E.) and River City AIDS and Catastrophic Illness Support Center is presenting "All That Music and More," an evening of music, song, poetry and other entertainment as a fundraiser to benefit the R.C.A. & C.I.C.

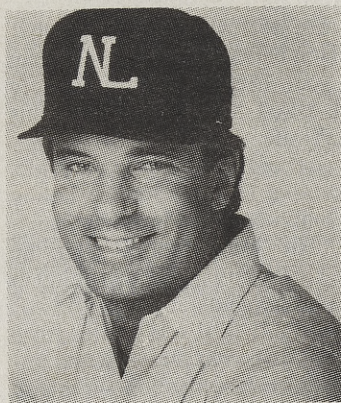
The benefit will be held August 29 from 7 to 9 pm. There will be a \$5 donation at the door. Call 484-5660 for more information.

The center focuses on catastrophic illness that are not only AIDS-related, but also life-threatening diseases as breast-cancer, emphysema and other terminal illness. The Center is an extension to the River City MCC Church's AIDS ministry.▼

### Awards Dinner Slated for National Coming Out Day

The River City Democratic Club will hold their annual awards dinner on Sunday night, October 11, in the Grand Ballroom at the Raddison Hotel. This year's event will take place on National Coming Out Day. The theme will be "Feeling Good...Together."

The featured speaker will be Dave Pallone, author of *Behind the Mask...My Double Life in Baseball*. Pallone's book, which chronicles his own coming out story while working as an umpire in major league baseball, was a national bestseller. Pallone has appeared on



Dave Pallone

numerous national talk shows and is a popular motivational speaker.

The fast-moving program will also include a salute to the late Stan Hadden, special video footage featuring pictures direct from Washington, D.C. of the AIDS Quilt (on display Oct. 9 - 11 in the capital), and presentations of a limited number honoring members of the community.

Tickets to the event are \$45 and can be reserved by calling dinner chairman Mark Hoffman at 361-2051, or RCDC Co-Chair Michael Boyd at 448-2383.▼

### Women Take Back The Night

The 14th Annual Sacramento Women Take Back the Night rally and march will be held on Friday, October 16, on the west steps of the state capitol beginning at 7 pm.

Women Take Back the Night is an international symbolic rally and march protesting violence against women and children in all forms, including rape, sexual harassment, molestation, and domestic battering. This year's theme is *Breaking The Silence* and will feature an open microphone "survivor speak out" for the first time. In addition, the rally will include speakers, musicians, poets, and self-defense demonstrations. Women and children will later march through downtown Sacramento while men will participate in a forum on how men can support non-violence in other men and in our community.▼

### Rev. Troy Perry To Celebrate Pastor and Churches Anniversaries

The weekend of August 21, 22, 23 will be marked by two anniversaries. Rev. Elder Freda Smith celebrates her 20th year in the ministry, the longest pastorate in the UFMCC. She was the first woman pastor and the first woman to be elected to the Board of Elders. She was also the recipient of the "Women in History Award 1991" from the Sacramento History Museum, under the category of "Courage."

River City M.C.C. will mark its' twenty-first year on the same weekend. The Church, located at 34th & Broadway, has a television program three times a week, a thrift store, counseling center, veterans outreach, and the Samaritan Center, which provides meals daily to

anyone in need, as well as their regular church activities.

Rev. Elder Troy Perry will be honoring Rev. Smith with a commendation from the General Council at a banquet in the MCC Grand Ballroom Saturday evening. Tickets to this event are \$7 and will be limited, so make reservation early. A concert will be held in the Sanctuary Friday evening. Rev. Perry will be conducting the 9 and 11 a.m. services on Sunday August 23.▼

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## under the dome

### Federal Club Luncheon Honors Senatorial Candidate Feinstein

The Federal Club of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, the nation's largest lesbian/gay political action committee, presented Senatorial candidate Dianne Feinstein with a symbolic \$10,000 check at its annual membership luncheon in the Grand Ballroom of the Ritz-Carlton Hotel.

The check represented two \$5,000 contributions the Washington-based group has given to Feinstein - one for their primary race against Controller Gray Davis and the other for her campaign for the general election against Republican Senator John Seymour. The contributions are the largest allowed by law.

Accepting the check, Feinstein emphasized the importance of electing leaders who will vote responsibly on gay and AIDS-related legislation. She cited failed U.S. AIDS policies, including the ban on visitors and immigrants with HIV, which forced organizers to move

the recent International AIDS Conference from Harvard University to Amsterdam. She pointed out that if Spain had the same policy, Magic Johnson might not have been permitted to play basketball in Barcelona.

Feinstein recounted her own association with the gay community dating back to her election as a San Francisco City Supervisor in 1969.

Supervisors Carole Migden and Roberta Achtenberg also addressed the gathering.

HRCF has contributed an equal amount to Rep. Barbara Boxer's race for the Senate against Southern California talk show host Bruce Herschenon.

The Federal Club, which is made up of HRCF's major donors, is comprised of about 1,000 members in 20 chapters nationwide. Members raised over \$1 million last year, which constitutes 20% of HRCF's annual budget. ▼



Photo by Ben Carlson

Dianne Feinstein accepts a check from Human Rights Campaign Fund member Mark Leno.

### Voter Anger At Bush

## Group to Deliver 30,000 Postcards at Convention

Mobilization Against AIDS, a national grassroots AIDS lobbying group, will flood President Bush at the Republican national Convention in Houston with approximately 30,000 postcards slamming his poor AIDS leadership.

"We're showing Bush that thousands of voters won't even consider voting for him unless he changes his AIDS policy and AIDS team significantly," MAA Executive Director Paul Boneberg said. "These cards are the tip of an iceberg. A million Americans have HIV. They, their families and their friends won't vote for irresponsible health policies."

The cards, which call the Bush Administration's AIDS programs underfunded, undercoordinated and politicized, are part of MAA's "Just Sign It" postcard program. The program started in 1991, when MAA collected a stunning 40,000 postcards to Secretary of Health and Human Services Louis Sullivan, demanding an end to the U.S. travel and immigration ban on HIV-infected people.

Since then, Mobilization Against AIDS has achieved nationwide recognition as a voice for the concerns of people with HIV and AIDS, their families and friends, and others seeking a more effective

war on AIDS.

The presentation of cards in Houston will be one of several protest events of the Convention. MAA will work in coalition with local and national lesbian/gay and AIDS organizations to maximize the action's impact. The presentation of postcards is scheduled for Monday, August 17 at 2 p.m. (CST).

MAA is also collecting cards to California Governor Pete Wilson and Iowa Senator Tom Harkin. The Wilson cards, which are being collected in coalition with California's LIFE/AIDS Lobby, urge him not to cut the AIDS budget. The Harkin cards thank the Democrat for his good performance on AIDS issues. MAA hopes to collect 100,000 cards among the Bush, Wilson and Harkin campaign combined.

Just Sign It program coordinator Adrienne Blum estimates that cards have been signed by residents of every state. Although she collects the cards primarily in California, she also gets cards by mail from locations across the U.S.

She collects most of the cards in person, at tables and booths at busy street corners and at lesbian/gay pride events in San Francisco, Guerneville, Santa Cruz, Sacramento, Fresno, Los Angeles, Redondo Beach and San Diego. ▼

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## Responding to Bush/Quayle "Traditional Family Values" Rhetoric

In an interview published June 25 in the *New York Times*, President George Bush stated that he "can't accept as normal life style people of the same sex being parents...I don't accept that as normal" and added that he believes in "traditional family values." As the Republican National Convention approaches, Republican officials, including Vice President Dan Quayle, are espousing "traditional family values" rhetoric and attacking the gay community as antithetical to family life.

There are currently some four to five million lesbian and gay parents in this country who face legal obstacles to creating nurturing and caring families. Only 11 states have laws that say sexual orientation is irrelevant in custody disputes. Courts in 11 other states have based rulings on the belief that gay people are unfit for custody of their children solely on the basis of sexual orientation. Two states, Florida and New Hampshire, have laws expressly prohibiting lesbians and gay men from adopting children. New Hampshire also bars lesbians and gay men from becoming foster parents.

The following statement is attributable to Ivy Young, director of the Families Project at the NGLTF Policy Institute.

"There you go again, George. Making ill-informed, demagogic and misguided moralistic pronouncements about the nature of family life in this country and the unsuitability of lesbians and gay men to be parents.

"And we must ask, as it was

asked of Senator Joe McCarthy, so many years ago 'Have you no decency? At long last, have you no decency?'"

"There are millions of lesbian and gay parents in this country who, like parents everywhere, spend most of their time and energy caring for and worrying about and loving their children. And hoping, too, that those children grow up in a world free of the bigotry and prejudice so evident in George Bush's remarks in the *New York Times*.

"That the president of the United States would target millions of lesbian and gay parents, discredit their lives, do psychological harm to their children, and make them scapegoats for the fundamental problems of this country is unconscionable and unworthy, even in an election year.

"Did he read the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services youth suicide study that showed gay youth, because of society's intolerance and rejection by their families, are two to three times more likely to attempt suicide than heterosexual youth? Does he read the reports that put the divorce rate in this country at fifty percent, or the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence report that three to four million women a year are abused by their husbands and boyfriends? Gay youth suicide and spouse abuse appear to be longstanding 'traditional family values' in this country.

"Did the president overlook the front page headline in the *Washington Post* just days ago: 'Increase in baby Killings Attributed to Fam-

ily Stress'?" That article contends that the nation's recession, joblessness and the low wages are causing parents to take out their frustrations on their children. This is normal family life in America.

"Our community did not create this crisis. Instead, in the face of anti-gay policies and rampant homophobia, such as that displayed by the president, three to five million lesbian and gay parents struggle daily to provide loving homes for their children. An ever-increasing number of sociological studies indicates that children raised in lesbian and gay families grow up to be no better or worse than children raised in heterosexual families.

"Bush is using 'traditional family values' as the smoke and mirror tactic to appease and win back the disenchanted Right Wing.

"For Bush to profess such love and concern for the American family and veto the Family Medical Leave Act is hypocrisy at its most profound. American families fill homeless shelters and sleep on the streets, but this administration consistently reduces spending on low and moderate income housing. How can one claim to cherish families on one hand and promote such destructive anti-family policies on the other?

"This is not the time for false issues or moral posturing. This is a time for leadership. Unfortunately, in his attempt to keep his job for another four years, the president has again displayed the venal cowardice that is unbecoming to anyone who would seek to lead this nation. ▼



By Sonya Cox  
MGW AIDS/HIV Editor

## News From Amsterdam

\*International statistics from the AIDS Conference in Amsterdam show that someone in the world becomes infected with HIV every 15 to 20 seconds, and half of these are women. The expert researchers estimate that between 11 and 13 million people worldwide are now infected with HIV, and that one million of them contracted it within the past six months. Hardest hit is Africa, with over 6 million cases transmitted primarily through heterosexual contact. One study presented at the conference challenged the belief that women with AIDS get sick faster than men; their study shows no difference in speed of illness between the sexes.

\*Amsterdam itself is considered to have a high rate of drug use among European cities, but has a much lower infection rate than other European or American cities. They have legalized needle exchange programs (turning in used needles and getting new ones in return), and offer critical face-to-face counseling to change addicts' behavior. Counseling is by addicts themselves who teach fellow users about health risks and how to be responsible for themselves. Information is written and distributed by the drug users themselves, and financed by Amsterdam's Ministry of Health.

## Changes In AIDS Policy?...

The Bush Administration is considering requiring that all HIV infections be reported and that Medicaid coverage include all treatments for the poor from diagnosis until death. The study supporting this proposal showed that if tracing sexual contacts prevented only one out of 50 cases of HIV transmission, it would more than balance the costs of expanding the Medicaid system. (It now costs about \$38,000 every year to treat one person with AIDS, and many of these people are living long lives.) Most cases of full-blown AIDS are currently reported to the Centers for Disease Control, but HIV infection is not reported, and neither HIV nor AIDS cases in this country are tracked at a national level (to locate others that may have been infected by the person receiving treatment). Colorado and North Carolina have programs that trace both sexual and needle-sharing partners of people with full-blown AIDS. AIDS activists strongly oppose any such plan for officially reporting HIV infections because of the privacy and discrimination issues that often accompany an HIV or AIDS diagnosis. Many in the medical community, however, feel

it's important to be able to track HIV infection so that better national health programs and early-intervention programs can be put in place.

## President Urges Compassion...

President Bush recently called upon Americans to "demonstrate compassion" for people with AIDS, and said some aspects of the disease can be "controlled by behavior -- such as using dirty needles." The HIV virus is not transmitted by dirt and grime. It is transmitted between IV drug users in approximately the following manner: When a needle is removed from a person who has just shot up, the needle apparatus sucks back into the works a few drops of that person's blood. If this needle is passed on to another person to shoot up, this person will be receiving a direct deposit of the first person's blood along with the drug he or she is injecting. The AIDS virus is transmitted by SHARING needles with a person with HIV. This is why drug users must use only "clean" (previously-unused) needles.

## Halcion May Be Pulled Off Market...

The widely prescribed sleeping pill Halcion is being urged to be pulled off the market because of the possible psychiatric side effects it has on some people that include depression, anxiety, insomnia, paranoia, aggression, and suddenly waking up completely disoriented when the pill wears off after 3 - 4 hours. Some physicians prescribe it for people with HIV who have trouble sleeping, and then at the same time provide a second prescription for anti-depressants to be taken with it. Many people, on the other hand, take it with absolutely no side effects. It was recently proclaimed to be safe by medical experts, but they now recommend more strongly that physicians remind people taking it to be on the look-out for possible side effects. Halcion will remain on pharmaceutical shelves until further notice.

## Drug Trials...

The National Institutes of Health in Bethesda is continually conducting trials to test drugs that appear to be able to control HIV infections, and to test new combinations of existing medications. Listed are a few of these newer on-going trials and the name of each project's coordinator (for additional information on all trials, call 1-800-672-5464). Please discuss your interest in any of the

trials with your physician. A more complete listing of available trials can be obtained by calling 1-800-TRIALS-A.

\*NAC (N-acetyl cysteine). Phase II study on safety of escalating doses of both oral and intravenous NAC in people with fewer than 500 T-cells. Participants may be on AZT, DDI or DDC and may be receiving PCP medications. Contact Chris Boenning at x-401 for more details.

\*Alpha interferon in combination with Interleukin 2. HIV trial for people with fewer than 200 T-cells. Contact Susan Hanelwich at x-403.

\*People with MAI/MAC are wanted to test effectiveness and tolerability of sparflaxacin, orazithromycin, and combinations of both of these. If blood cultures don't improve after 4 and 8 weeks of study, trial participants will be considered for a second part of the study -- a combination of sparflaxacin, azithromycin, clofazimine and ethambutol. Call Martha Larson at x-311.

\*Three toxoplasmosis studies for people (1) who have failed other treatments, (2) who are intolerant to other treatments, and (3) who have not yet been treated. Call Barbara Baird at x-420.

## Restrictions for Health Workers...

There is no medical or scientific justification for restricting the practices of health care professionals with AIDS, nor should they be forced to tell their patients they carry the virus, nor should they be required to take tests to see if they carry the virus, said the National Commission on AIDS in late July. The proposals were contained in a report created to help states develop policies regarding surgeons, dentists, and other health care professionals who have HIV or AIDS. They urged that these professionals continue to use common sense in determining the safety of the invasive procedures they perform. Officially, however, the more restrictive guidelines prohibiting AIDS-infected physicians and dentists from performing certain invasive procedures remain in place, also requiring them to tell their patients about their HIV status.▼

## New Talk Show Presents HIV and AIDS Information

*Healing Through Integrity*, is a new radio call-in talk show providing educational information on a variety of HIV and AIDS topics. The program is presented as a feature of the *Seeing Beyond* radio talk show and is sponsored by Stadtländers Lifetime pharmacy program, a mail-service pharmacy specializing in HIV/AIDS patients and transplant recipients.

The program will air the third Tuesday of each month on Sacramento's KOBQ 1450 AM. The show's host, Steven Smith, is a certified awareness counselor in San Francisco. Each month he will present a new guest who will be discussing HIV and AIDS related issues and providing informative, helpful information on coping with both.

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## AIDS Foundation Continues to Benefit from Impact '92!

The Sacramento AIDS Foundation has postponed Impact '92 originally scheduled to take place, Saturday, October 10.

Economic obstacles and internal variances in the creative direction of the event, have made it impossible to maintain the level of corporate and community effort needed to accomplish an event of this magnitude.

The goals for Impact '92 were twofold: to increase community solidarity in the fight against the AIDS epidemic and to raise desperately needed capital for the Sacramento AIDS Foundation.

Sacramento's Downtown

Macy's Department Store will help sponsor the Fall Fashion Forecast '92 on Monday, August 24th at 6:30 p.m., with proceeds going directly to the foundation through Impact '92. Macy's is collaborating with the volunteer committee and will present their in-store preview featuring fall fashions from headline designers. Anne Klein II, Calvin Klein, Dana Buchman, DKNY, Ellen Tracy, St. John, Tahari and Episode will be among the full slate of designers and design houses.

For more information call Jan Bronn at 722-0249.▼

## The Awareness Project Publishes Poster

By Renee Vorhies  
OF MGW STAFF

The Awareness Project encourages people of all walks of life to look beyond the stereotypical, societal, image of gays within their community. The full sized posters are very striking in appearance and features nearly fifty men and women of various age, racial, and cultural backgrounds that so simply and eloquently stated: "Guess What? We're your family, neighbors, and friends...and we're gay. Look beyond lesbian and gay stereotypes and find out more about us!"

The full sized poster ad had been placed in *People* magazine and generated positive responses from readers in 40 states and 6 countries. The *Time* ad will be placed in one of the winter issues.

The posters may be obtained through the mail with a \$7 donation to; Guess What Poster, The Awareness Project, PO Box 65603, Los Angeles, CA 90065.

The Lesbian and Gay Public Awareness Project is a national non-profit education organization founded in 1987 to achieve comprehensive equality for lesbians and gay men.▼

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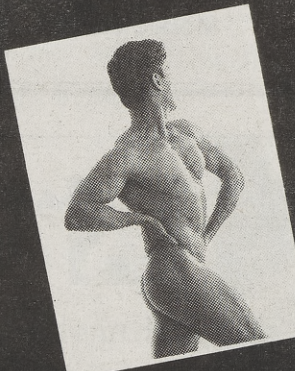
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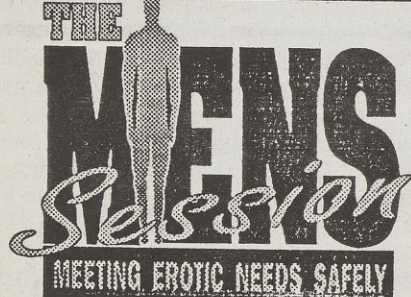
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By Winston McDade  
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### Pat Robertson Blames Homosexuals for America's Ills

According to the Reverend Pat Robertson, host of the Christian Broadcasting Network's 700 Club, homosexuals are at the root of all that's wrong with America. During one of his broadcasts, Robertson stated that if the gay rights bill is ever passed it is a clear sign that "God is about to abandon America." Also, from Robertson's point of view and ideology, homosexuals are the driving force behind the "no-fault" divorce in this country. And the televangelist doesn't stop there when it comes to laying national blame for the decline of America and traditional values. Robertson also believes that lesbians are really behind the abortion issue because they're "jealous" of women who can have children and envy their femininity.

--S.G.N.

### Fashion's High Priest of Provocation to Benefit AmFar

The cutting-edge designs of Jean Paul Gaultier will make their West Coast debut in September at the Shrine Auditorium in a benefit for the American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFar).

Gaultier, known for his outrageous designer jackets, dresses and jumpsuits that feature cone-like breast inserts, garments that resemble cages, outfits of vinyl and leather, and skirts designed exclusively for men, is dedicating the entire show to disco song writing legend Paul Jabara. Jabara is credited with writing disco classics for Donna Summer, The Weather Girls, Whitney Houston, Barbara Streisand and numerous other performers.

The event will be chaired by celebrity photographer Herb Ritts and Evelyn Champagne King, Gloria Gaynor, Thelma Houston and The Weather Girls are scheduled to perform. The event will take place September 24 and tickets will range in price from \$40 - \$500. To order tickets or for more information call (213) 857-5900.

### New Gay Christian Magazine

A new gay Christian magazine proclaims that Christ is for everybody. *Christus Omnibus*, a new gay and lesbian bi-monthly, debuted

August 1 and featured an interview with Reverend Troy Perry, founder of the Metropolitan Community Churches. Some of the regular features of *Christus Omnibus* will include scripture studies, book reviews, calendar/announcement sections and Christian testimonies of reconciliation. The magazine will be available at bookstores, newsstands, libraries and churches as well as by paid circulation. For subscription information contact Michael Lawrence, *Christus Omnibus*, 146 East Duarte Road, Suite 213, Arcadia, CA 91006; or telephone (818) 287-5744 or fax (818) 285-5513.

### Scientists Discover Big Difference in Brains of Gay Men

A recent UCLA study of the brains of gay men seem to support the theory that there is a major difference in the biological make-up in gay men as a basis for homosexuality. The new UCLA study supports an earlier similar study conducted by the Salk Institute.

While the Salk Institute study found that the hypothalamus area of the brain--which regulates sexual behavior--was smaller in gay men, the new study by UCLA neuroscientists discovered that the anterior commissure, a band of fibers that connects the cortex of the left and right sides of the brain, an area known to be larger in women than in men, is larger still in the brains of gay men. The anterior commissure controls language skills, and the larger the structure the better the individual's skills at communicating.

--B.A.R.

### Anonymous Benefactor Donates \$100,000 to Gay and Lesbian Center

A gift of \$100,000 was recently donated to the Gay and Lesbian Center of the New Main Library in San Francisco. The donation was made by an individual who made queries about the proposed center and was intrigued enough to donate the large monetary amount.

The center is slated to open in 1995 and will feature the first collection of gay and lesbian material in a public library. The center will house volumes of lesbian and gay literature, the Randy Shilts collection of books and journals and numerous gay-related historical archives.

--B.A.R.

### Harvey Milk Club Undergoes Name Change

In a change that is designed to reflect groups in America who are fighting for civil rights in 1992, the Harvey Milk Lesbian and Gay Democratic Club has undergone a dramatic change. It is now known as the Harvey Milk Progressive Democratic Club, a club advocating for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender civil rights. Also, the decision for the name change came with the hope that mainstream papers and media will no longer ignore the existence of the club because the club's title may have been considered too controversial.

--B.A.R.

### Advocate Editor Resigns

In a controversial move, after 26 months on the job, *Advocate* editor-in-chief Richard Rouillard has resigned because of what he considers unworkable conditions at America's largest gay publication. Rouillard, 41, came to the *Advocate* after a stint as editor of the *L.A. Herald-Examiner*. Under Rouillard's leadership the *Advocate* made the transition from a black and white periodical to a four-color magazine.

Rouillard complained of "shabby" working conditions and believes he was being "set up" by publisher Niles Merton to be fired. But Merton described Rouillard's resignation as one of frustration because he wanted the gay magazine to be more like *Newsweek*, which is essentially a periodical run by straight white guys -- an image the *Advocate* simply doesn't relate to.

Meanwhile, Jeff Yarbrough, currently senior editor, has been assigned to fill the void Rouillard has left behind. Yarbrough is credited with writing cover stories on Madonna, k.d. lang and Oliver Stone.

--Washington Blade

### Oliver North Bashes Gays, Women in Combat

In a speech where he proclaimed that "real men don't need their mothers, wives and daughters to fight for them," North raised the ire of local feminists. Besides the incendiary remarks he leveled at women who choose to serve the military in any capacity in which they are needed, North also stated that the military is no place for gays and lesbians at all.

Local feminists and gay rights supporters of Sparks, Nevada, where North addressed a group of non-

commissioned officers at the Sparks Nugget, were incensed over the homophobic and insensitive remarks.

--Sentinel



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### Scholarships Available for Creating Change Conference

Scholarship assistance is available for people of color, activists with disabilities and activists with limited incomes who would like to attend the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Policy Institute Creating Change Conference. The conference, to be held in Los Angeles this November 13 -16, is the preeminent skills-building gathering for gay and lesbian activists.

The scholarship program for the conference is funded through grants from foundations and individuals.

This year's Creating Change Conference will feature more than 90 workshops plus provocative plenary speakers, networking sessions, an "agit-prop" swap shop, and social events. Pre-conference institutes include a Campus Organizing Institute on Wednesday, November 11, and the People of Color and Diversity Training Institutes on Thursday, November 12. Scholarships may be used to attend the institutes.

Plenary speakers for Creating Change are John Preston, author and activist from Maine; Margaret

Cerullo, a professor at Hampshire College in western Massachusetts; Paul Monette, Los Angeles-based author of *Half A Life Story*; Phil Wilson, co-chair of the Black Gay and Lesbian Leadership Forum; Odilia Mendez, Board member of National LLEGO, the Latina/o Lesbian and Gay Organization; Valli Kanuha, a writer and trainer on anti-racism and battering; and Angukcuag (Richard La Fortune), Director of Training for the National Native American AIDS Prevention Center.

Workshops at the conference include "Reports from the Field: The Impact of Election '92"; "The war on Gay/Lesbian Art" "Queer Sex: Blurring Boundaries" "Grief, Anger and the Politics of AIDS"; "Fascism in America" "Lesbian Visibility in the Media" and "Ag-ing and the Movement."

To get an application form or to submit a completed application, write Creating Change 1992 Scholarships, NGLTF Policy Institute, 1734 14th St NW, Washington, DC, 20009. Call Catherine Carter 202-332-6483.▼

### Gay Ministry Group Challenges Vatican Opposition to Gay Rights

A Catholic Ministry group characterized a Vatican statement against gay civil rights as an "embarrassment" to U.S. Catholics, "seriously flawed," and "ultimately unconvincing."

The Vatican document, entitled "Some Considerations Concerning the Catholic Response to Legislative Proposals on the Non-Discrimination of Homosexual Persons," from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, was sent to all U.S. Bishops throughout the Vatican Nunciature by the General Secretary of the U.S. Catholic Conference.

The Vatican letter cites concerns about adoption and foster care, teachers, and the military. The critique says it is sad for U.S. Catholics to see their leadership "embrace and perpetuate such groundless fears."

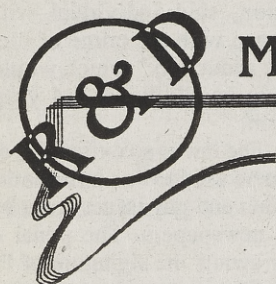
According to Greg Link, director of New Ways Ministry, the new pronouncement is "probably a reaction to increasing Catholic support for gay civil rights in employment." A recent Gallup poll, co-sponsored by New Ways Ministry, indicated that 78 percent of Catholics support equal rights for gay and lesbian persons in employment. "It could also be related," said Link, "to a marked decrease in episcopal

opposition to civil rights legislation in such places as Chicago and Connecticut, positive support in Hawaii and opposition to an anti-gay ordinance in Oregon."

The Vatican calls homosexual behavior "objectively disordered external conduct" and defends limiting such behavior for the common good. New Ways Ministry says such thinking could lead to frightening social implications if applied to Catholic spouses practicing contraception or unmarried couples who cohabit.

"While the document mouths token support for the dignity of the homosexual individual," says Link, "it is actually a massive and unconscionable attack on that dignity. This new statement indicates a fear in the Vatican that they are losing ground on the issue of civil rights."

New Ways Ministry, a 15-year-old Washington-based group reportedly under Vatican scrutiny for its work with homosexual Catholics, sponsored a national symposium in March in Chicago. The symposium was cosponsored by more than 90 Catholic organizations and drew more than 500 participants including 3 bishops who spoke about pastoral issues of homosexuality.▼



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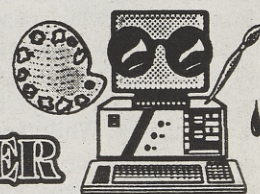
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**Michael Mary Addison**

"Yes, Gay Straight or Women. At least they should be given a citation."



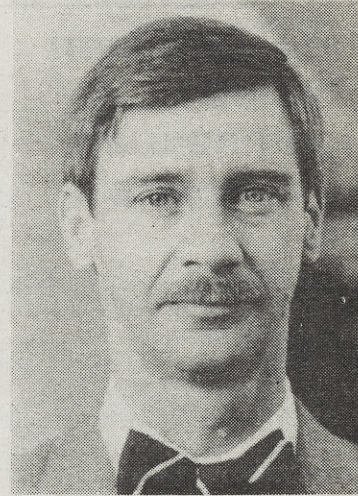
**George Raya**

"No, They're not destroying property or anything, just enjoying each others company."



**Phil Isenberg**

"Yes, it's against the law, gay or straight."



**Bob Cook**

"I think anyone should be arrested for having sex in public, except me!...Just kidding!"

Photos by Brian Ashby

## media watch

by Hollie Conley  
GLAAD/SFBA

### Glamour Magazine

Though not a bastion of complex political analysis, *Glamour* Magazine has consistently offered responsible coverage of lesbian and gay issues. The May issue contained the simple but honest story, "My Father is Gay," by Monica den Haan (pseudonym). Den Haan explored her own confusion and homophobia as well as the effect of her father's internalized homophobia on her family, coming to the conclusion, "I'm not glad my father is gay...But given that he is, I'm glad he decided to be open about it with us. It's given me a chance to know him." Even if den Haan was not thrilled by her father's sexuality, she made it clear that homophobia, in all its manifestations, is the problem.

Den Haan's story successfully illustrated that coming out is a process for everyone who loves a gay man or lesbian. She wrote, "Of all the issues that having a gay father raised, the one that took longest to deal with concerned my own sexuality." Through this personal struggle, she learned that "gay versus straight is not a choice we're given to make."

Let *Glamour* know how important this kind of story is for gays, lesbians, and their loved ones. This is a very difficult process for many, and personal stories like this can alleviate feelings of isolation and confusion.

The same issue of *Glamour* included a brief article by Charla Krupp, "Can 'Nice' Lesbians be Good Box Office?", which raised a few questions about whether or not Hollywood should be obliged to portray Lesbians and Gays in a responsible manner. While the gist of the article was that we are represented abysmally in films, Krupp missed one crucial point: lesbians and gays don't just want to be represented as "nice," we want to be represented as real. She wrote, "...screenwriters are now consulting special interest groups to woo their Politically Correct stamp of approval." Unfortunately, the PC weapon is being used with increasing frequency to stifle debate about fairness. Nonetheless, Krupp included a short list of lesbian char-

acters in recent films, which made it plain that we are light years away from controlling the way Hollywood depicts us.

Send your thoughts on both articles to Barbara Coffey, Managing Editor, *Glamour*, 350 Madison Avenue, New York NY 10017, fax 212-880-6922.

### PAC Bell

On March 18, 1986, the New York Times published an opinion piece by William F. Buckley advocating that people with AIDS be forcibly tattooed. The outrageousness of Buckley's idea, the fact that the Times saw it as "fit to print," and the lack of outcry from our society, were telling indictments of the depth of homophobia and AIDS-phobia in our society.

On Thursday, May 7, Buckley will be the keynote speaker at Pacific Bell's annual telecommunications expositions, TEXPO, at the Anaheim Convention Center. Buckley is expected to receive \$10-15,000 for the appearance.

The Gay/Lesbian Employee Association (GALEEMAS) at Pacific Bell wrote a letter to the exposition organizers objecting to Buckley's invitation, requesting that his invitation be withdrawn, and offering to serve as a resource in selecting a more appropriate speaker for the event. The letter was endorsed by several employee groups at PacBell, representing women, Latinos and Asian Americans, as well as several company-sponsored Minority/Women's Advisory Boards.

PacBell's management disregarded the objections, stating that Buckley would be a "big draw for the business community." They also rejected the adoption of new procedures or guidelines for guaranteeing involvement from the company's diverse employee groups in future decisions of this nature.

PacBell maintains a free number (in California) to handle customer problems: 811-EASY (811-3279) and a FAX line: 1-800-343-2038. The information number for TEXPO: 1-800-462-8379.

### 20/20

The ABC news show *20/20* continues to break ground in giving serious attention to lesbian and gay issues. On May 8th, just two weeks

after airing a segment debunking therapists who purport to "cure" gay men, they broadcast a powerful look at lesbian and gay teen suicide. "The Only Way Out," was produced by openly gay *20/20* producer (and GLAAD/NY) media award winner, David Sloan.

The show cited studies revealing that a third of teen suicides in this country are committed by lesbian and gay youths trying to escape the harassment and abuse that is so important a part of our "traditional values." Several such students who had survived suicide attempts told of the verbal and physical abuse they faced daily in school. This was followed by an interview with a group of heterosexual-identified teens who gleefully admitted to harassing "fags." "Picking at them is fun," declared one girl. "If they want to kill themselves, that's their problem," said a boy.

The show also contained an extended interview with Mary Griffith, the Walnut Creek, California, mother who realized only after her son's suicide that her sermonizing to him about his homosexuality could alienate him. She is now a P-FLAG supporter.

Griffith was contrasted with Ellen Shepherd, a mother from Fairfax, Virginia, who pulled her children out of the public schools rather than expose them to a one hour class on sexual diversity and tolerance. "They don't give kids facts," she said; "They don't tell them that they will all die from AIDS." When John Stossel, the interviewer, asked her if the schools shouldn't address the problem of gay kids killing themselves because of mistreatment at school, Shepherd responded: "I don't think they get tormented in school. I think there are very few gay children out there. I think the answer is to prevent homosexuality." Seeing this woman surrounded by the children in her power was horrifying.

*20/20* is definitely open itself up to attack for the frequency and fairness with which it addresses lesbian and gay issues. Please write a letter of support to Victor Neufeld, Executive Producer, *20/20*, ABC News, 47 W. 66th St., New York, NY 10023.

### NEA

Anne-Imelda Radice was recently named by President Bush to succeed John Frohnmayer as chair of the National Endowment for the

Arts. Bush had fired Frohnmayer after complaints from political extremists and hate groups that he had not been rigorous enough in censoring out lesbian and gay expression from endowment funded projects.

Speaking before a House Appropriations subcommittee on May 6, Radice seemed to indicate that the Endowment will more diligently pander to the homophobes and sexphobes in its selection of funding recipients. "There may be some grants that will not fly with Federal money," said Radice. "If we find a proposal that does not have the widest audience," she said, and if its sexual content "is the only thing that leaps out at you," then "we just can't afford to fund that."

Remind Radice that the widest audience is a diverse audience, and that it is un-American for our government to be awarding grants based on the prejudices of a group of religious extremists.

Write to Anne-Imelda Radice, Acting Chair, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington DC 20506.

### San Francisco Chronicle

"The Question Man" is a column in the *San Francisco Chronicle* which published answers given by people on the street to a particular human interest question. Although the opinions expressed are those of the people interviewed, it is clearly the responsibility of the editor to use discretion in publishing remarks that are deeply offensive or outright promotions of prejudice.

On May 9, the question was "Crime that gives you nightmares?" One person answered, "These men that kill young boys. Homosexual crimes are horrendous. When they induce young boys and kill them. Sexual crimes of that nature, because these people are so expert at it. They've killed so many people..." Of course, murder is horrendous, and so is the description of crime as having a sexual orientation or ethnicity.

Write to "Question Man," *San Francisco Chronicle*, 901 Mission Street, San Francisco CA 94103. Write to Managing Editor Matt Wilson at the same address. The number for the *Chronicle* is 415-777-1111.

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### Nicaragua

On June 11, the Nicaraguan National Assembly approved a series of reforms to the nation's penal code. One of the reforms, Article 205, imposes penalties for sodomy and for "promotion" of homosexuality. The law reads: "An individual is guilty of the crime of sodomy if he or she induces, promotes, propagandizes, or practices in a scandalous manner, the cohabitation between individuals of the same sex, and said individuals will face punishment of 1 to 3 years in prison." It goes on to state that "if one of those who practices sodomy, even in private, has any type of disciplinary or authoritative power, as tutor, keeper, teacher, boss, guardian or any other basis that implicates the influence of authority or moral direction, said individual will be charged with the crime of illegitimate seduction," which would result in an additional 2-4 years of prison.

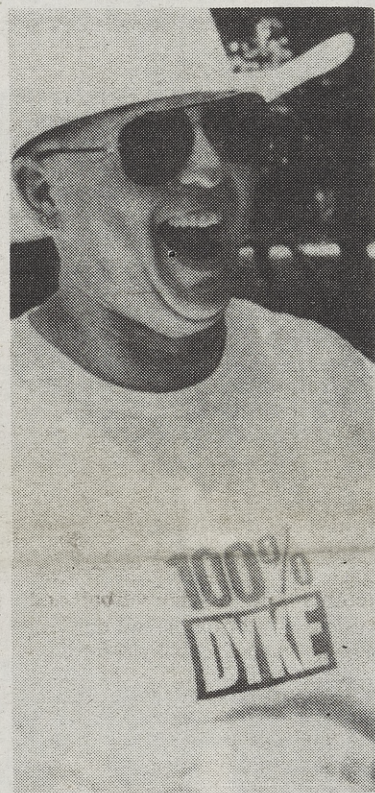
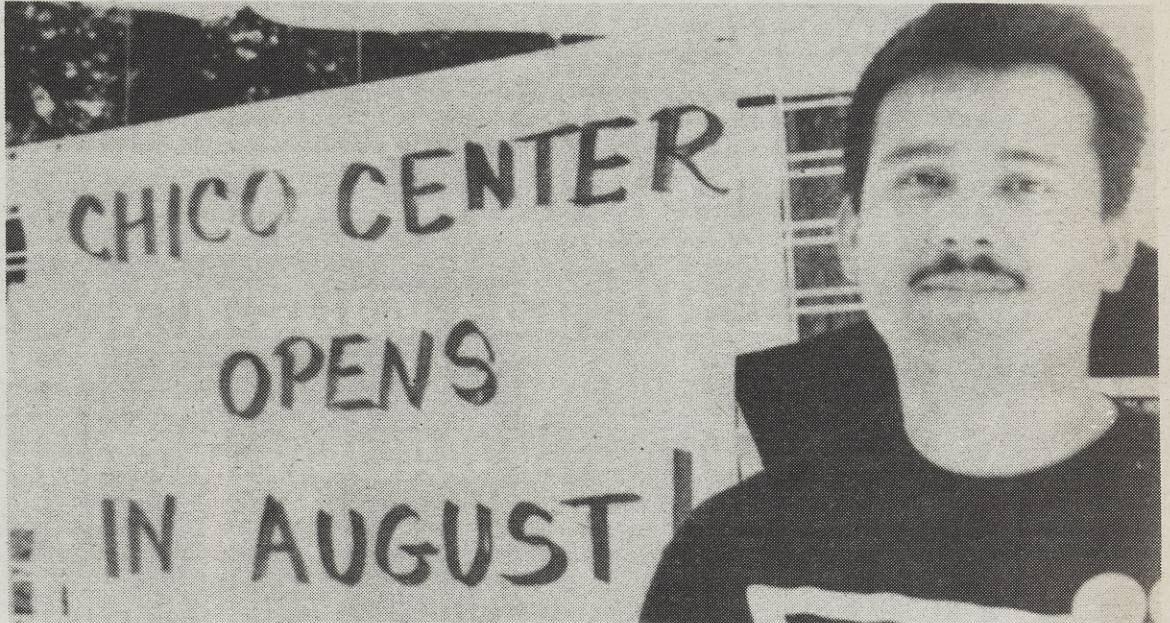
The law is so extreme it could even be used to ban information of lesbian and gay issues from books and newspapers. The penal code now awaits the signature of President Chamorro, who can veto any or all of it. Write to President Chamorro as soon as possible and urge her to veto article 205 of the new penal code. Write to Her Excellency, Violeta Barrios De Chamorro, Casa Presidencial, Managua Nicaragua, fax 011-505-2-627911.



by John Batchelor  
FLASH EDITOR

From time to time a writer wonders if anyone is reading out there. Yours truly got a warm stroke from **Sacramento News & Review (SN&R)** columnist "Amanda." Apparently Amanda does scan our fair paper. Mr. Flash was quoted on his comments regarding the Sacramento Leather Association booth at the Lambda Freedom Fair. The SN&R heading began with "say cheese and pass the whip." The comment referred to the photo opportunities available at the booth. Heartfelt thanks Amanda for sharing a bit of crossover news with your readers. ▼ The k.d.lang concert was thee concert not to miss. k.d. classified the evening as a "smorgasbord of musical tastes" to loosely paraphrase. Men and countless women friends jammed the Community Center Theatre. After the show the critics raved and the limousines lined up to take the emotionally exhausted listeners back home. k.d. come back soon. ▼ The Foundation for Educational Research presented the fourth annual **Sacramento Summer Ball** recently. The "White Party" was at the home of **Bill Knudson** and **Brad Long**. With the combined efforts of 30 hosts, 100% of the expenses were either paid in advance or donated. **Dorman's Catering** generously donated the bar. Therefore all proceeds went to charity. More details to come. ▼ The **Sacramento County Board of Supervisors** is making sweeping cuts in the health care budget. To show your concern and make a statement, (even visually) attend the next round of hearings **August 24 & 25**. Call the Lambda Center for details. ▼ And speaking of the center, the **1200 Club** needs you! With a small monthly donation, you can keep our community center doors open. Unlike other charities, you will see your \$ at work every time you drive down "L" street or attend a meeting or function at the Lambda Community Center. ▼ **River City 22** sponsored by RCDC is in full swing. Participating members will walk precincts, staff phone banks and get out voters on election day in November. Some members taking part are **Ann Constantine, Karl Neuburger, Nancy Lange, George Raya, Sandy Virago** and **Al Jensen** to mention but a few. Do lend an ear should you receive a call. ▼ **Steve Watson, Frank Lawler** and a host of members present the **Sacramento Men's Chorus (SMC)** mixer on Saturday, August 22. It's a time to socialize after the summer hiatus and a time to invite men who are interested in joining SMC. It will be the Steve and Frankie party with a pinch of Deidre' thrown in. ▼ In other SMC news, our local gang made quite the splash at **Gala Festival IV** in Denver. Choruses from around the world attended. SMC has been invited to perform with numerous choruses around the state and country. The Bay Area no longer has the corner on the market! ▼ Big Tomato, **Dan Best** entered his boat in the Concours d'Elegance. After the event **Ed Thirkell** and **David Bashore** hosted an "After the Boat Show Party and Awards Ceremony." The word just in...it is now official...Dan was bestowed the honorary title, "Queen of Lake Tahoe!" Congratulations to an honor well deserved. ▼ Happy happy August Birthdays to **Glenn Olson, Michael Luna, Lu Hoge, Frannie Burton, Todd Cronkhite** and **Larry Hoover** is 50!! ▼ **Rafters Bar & Grill** at Joseph's Town and Country (JTC) presents "Men of the French Connection" an international all male dance revue direct from France. This sizzling event happens on September 1, Mark those calendars. ▼ **Dael Franke** of Sac Food Coop deli fame gave his roomie a haircut. The result was so favorable and the amount of hair clipped off so massive, the two created a work of art on an outside utility pole. We may share this inspiration with you if the photographs turn out. The next time your are at the deli counter encourage Dael to share this rare art form. ▼ One couple who always brings a sparkle to my eyes are celebrating an 11th anniversary. (The party invites also had a bit of sparkle and glitter.) Anyway they are not "out out" so Mr. Flash will merely wish **Laura and Karen** the best of wishes for years and years to come. ▼ **MGW** tee shirts will get the attention. A Toronto friend was wearing one of our "conversation piece" tees in Provincetown, MA recently. He attracted the attention of two local boys on holiday. **Greg Brooks** and wild child **Chris Bournier** were turning the notorious gay resort town upside down. Little did they realize that Mr. Flash has reporters everywhere. ▼ Stay informed...keep in touch 'til next time...John ▼

## Chico's Freedom Fest 1992 A Community Celebration



The second annual Chico Freedom Fest brought nearly 500 people together to celebrate the strength and diversity of Chico's lesbian, gay and bisexual community. The theme "Community, Family, Empowerment" set the tone of the day-long event filled with entertainment, food, games, crafts, music and fun.

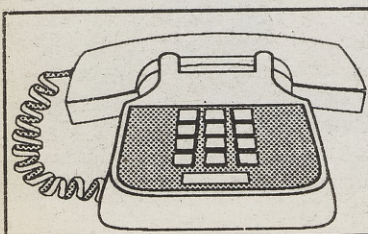
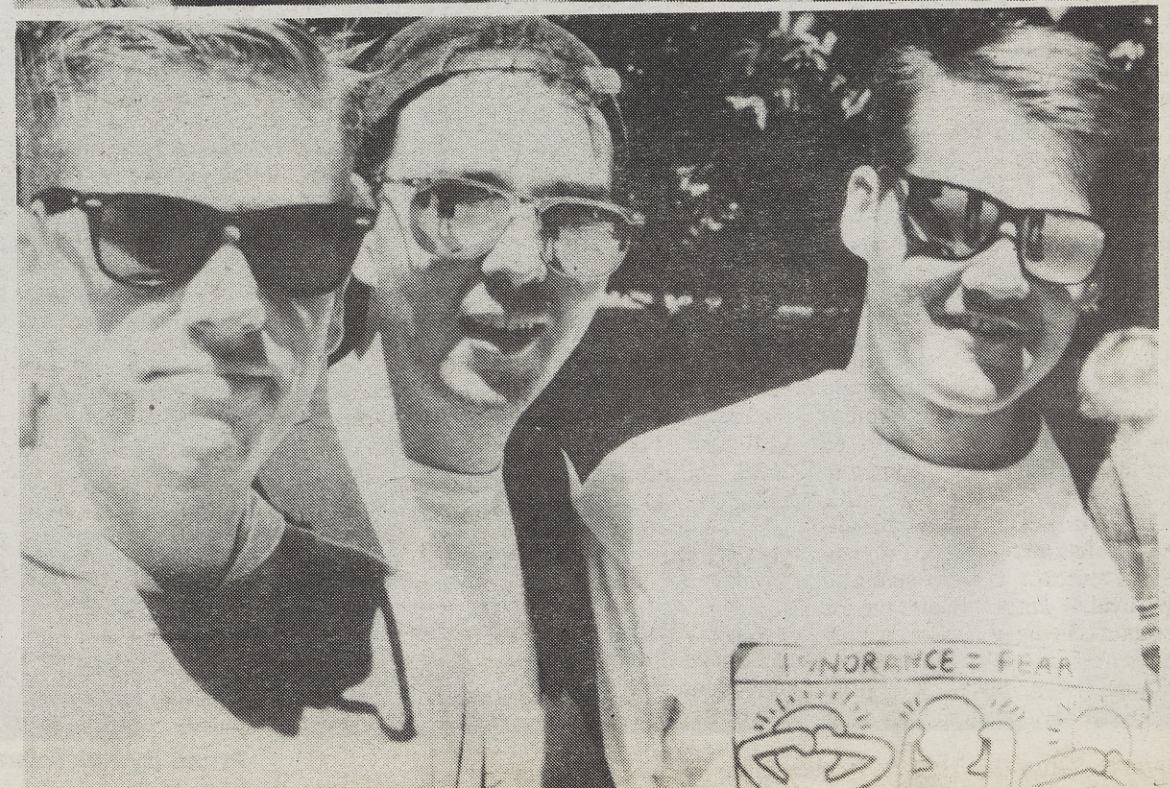
Event co-chairs **Bambi Berdahl** and **Eric Ruben** booked nationally known recording artists **Monica Grant** and **Theresa Chandler** plus comic **Danny Williams**. Local performers **Tim Evers, Kathy Fernandez, Robin Goldstone, Gloria Wetterstrom, Nicki Wolff** and **The Heartache and Lust Band** also entertained.

**Tim Evers** kicked off Freedom Fest 1992 with a stunning acappella performance of the National Anthem. Twenty-four exhibitors included the **Stonewall Alliance of Chico, the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Alliance at Chico State, ISCCD (the court), Kids' Klub, Women's Cultural Productions, Chico State Student Democratic Club, P-FLAG, Butte County AIDS Education Project, Travelin' Pages, Home Health Care Management** and various artisans.

Freedom Fest committee member **Dennis Partington** called the event, "A great success, setting the stage for a permanent annual event." Sponsoring organizations include **GLBA, ISCCD, Kids's Klub, Stonewall Alliance of Chico, Tasty Tongues (women's dining group)** and **Women's Cultural Productions**. The local NBC-TV affiliate covered the Fest with a positive news segment.

The Sacramento Leather Association held its "jail" fundraiser with profits earmarked for the Stonewall Alliance Center. The newly formed **Cherry Street Patrol** kept a watchful eye over the peaceful event. Freedom Fest 1992 was held on Saturday, July 25 in **Alumni Glen**, a shady creek side setting in the center of the Chico State campus. The third annual Freedom Fest is planned for July 1993.

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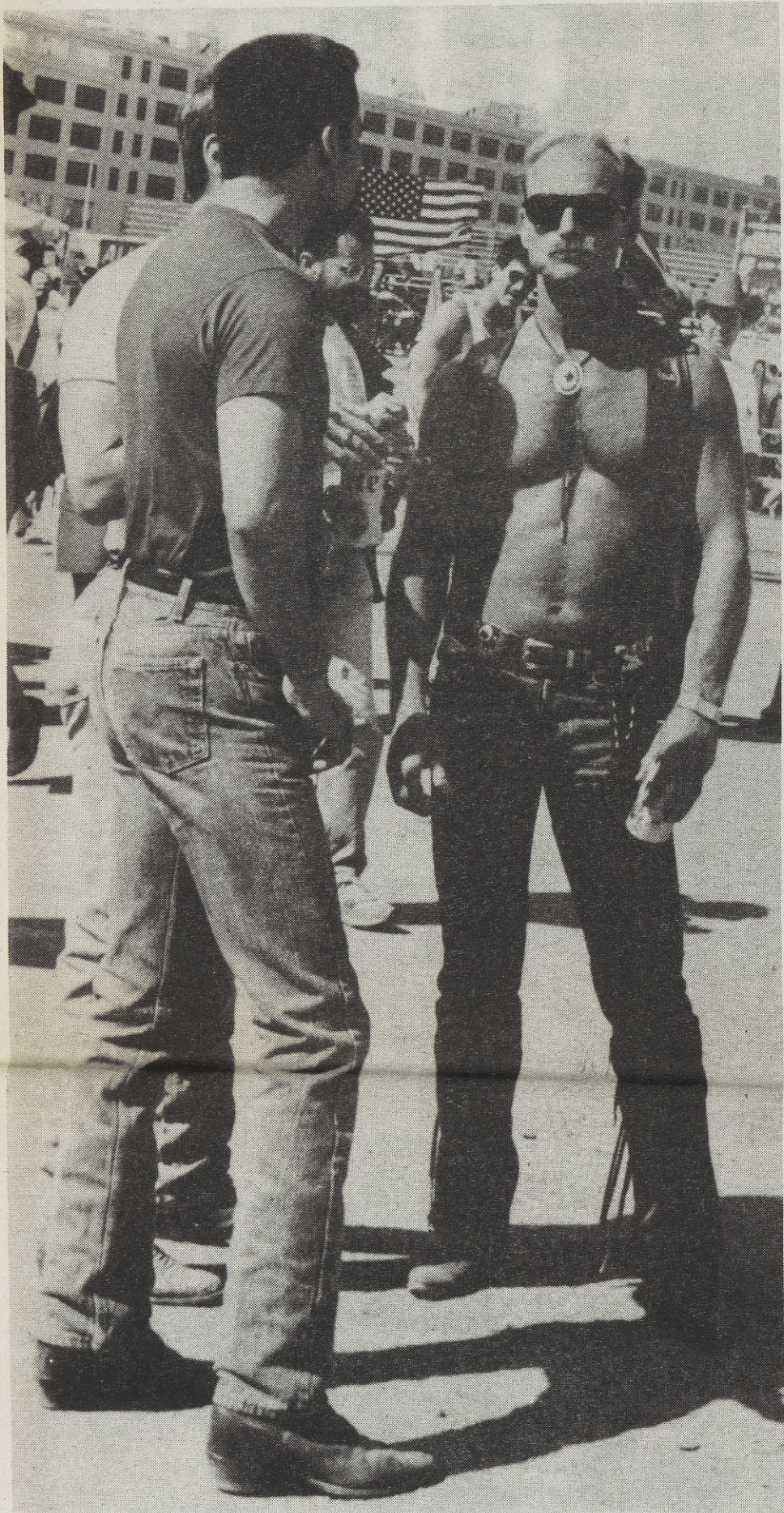


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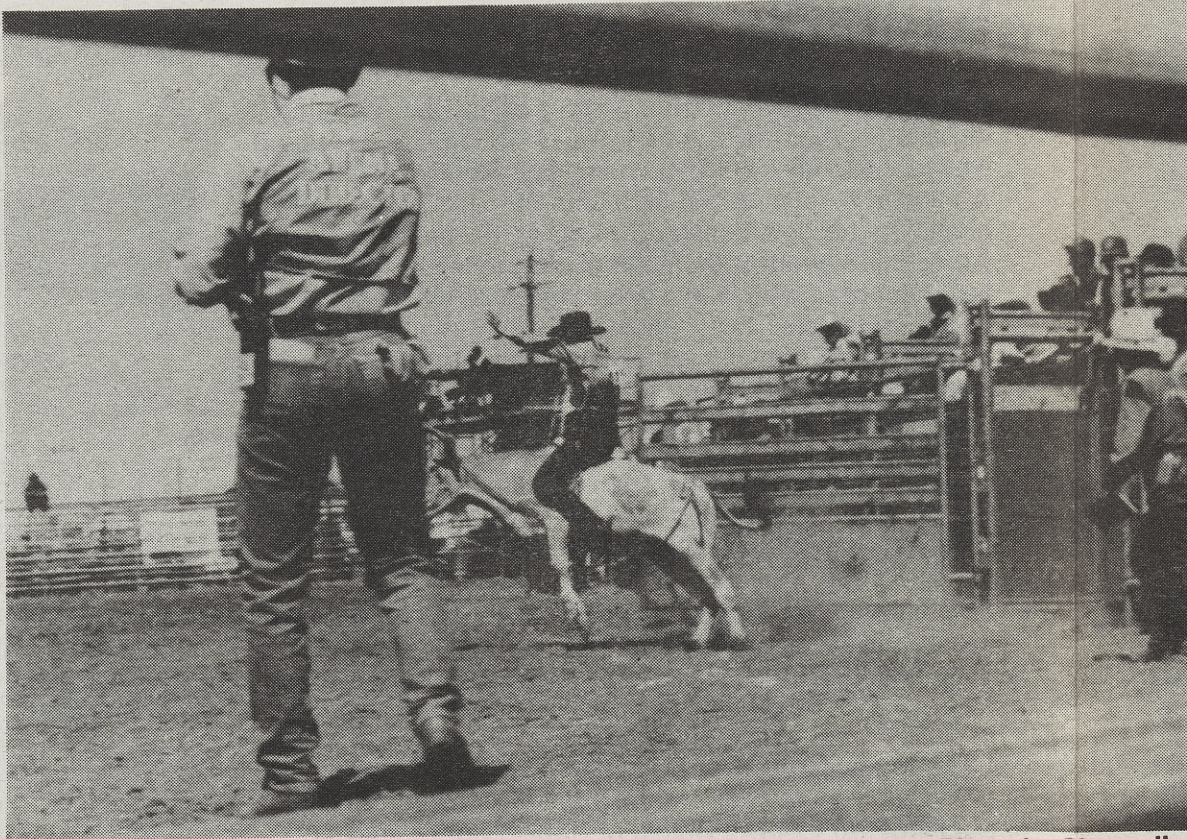


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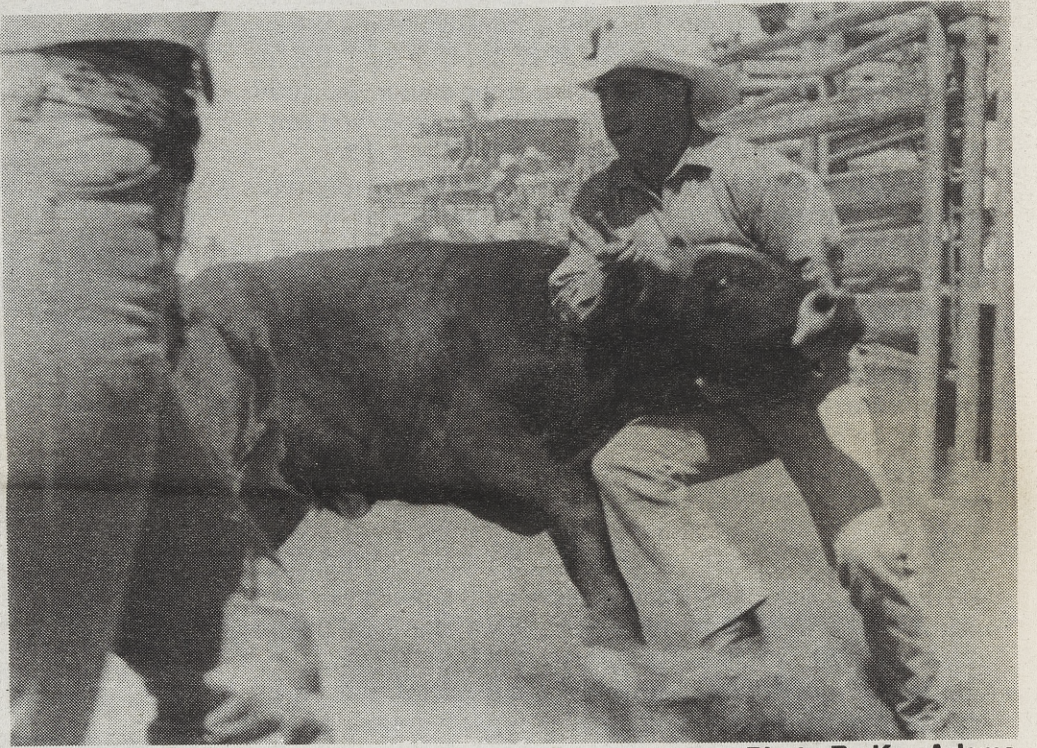


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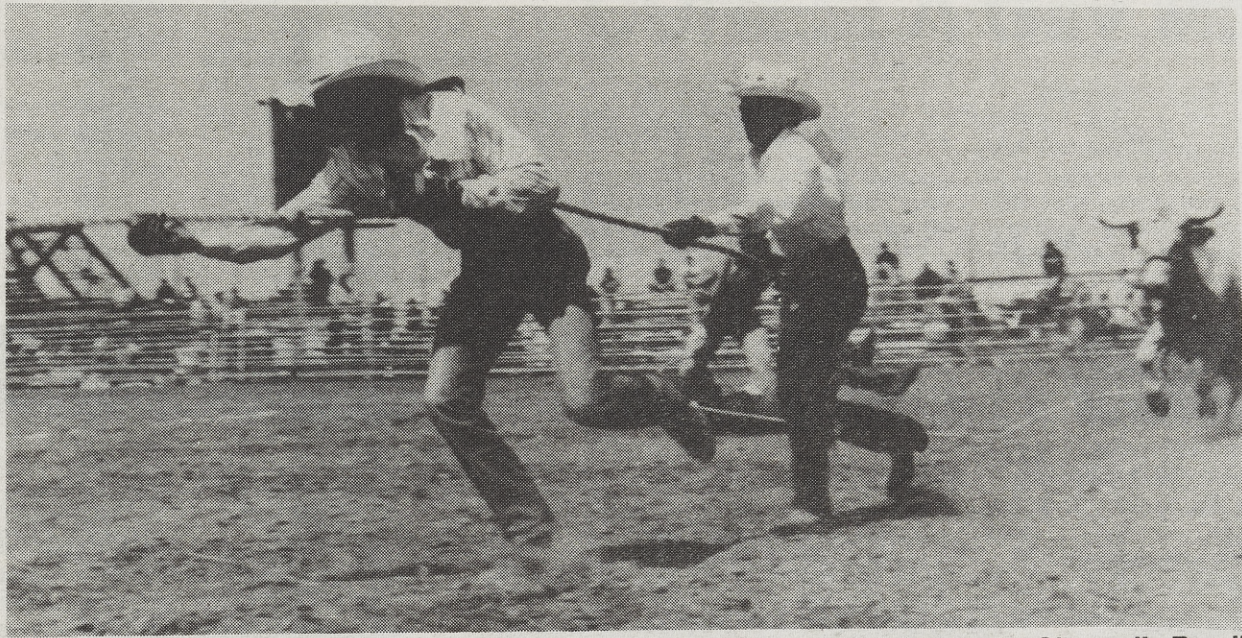


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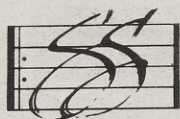


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## DON'T LOOK ROUND

Reviewed by Elisabeth Pyle  
of MGW STAFF

*Don't Look Round* Violet Trefusis, Viking Press, 1992, 234 pages, \$23.00 hardback

For those of you who have just met Violet Trefusis and Vita Sackville-West on the PBS mini-series, *Portrait of a Marriage*, this book should not be read until you have read the actual book on which the series is based, *Portrait of a Marriage* by Nigel Nicolson, Vita's younger son. That may sound pedantic, but you are getting one portrayal of Violet Trefusis in the series, Nicolson's book will give you another and this auto-biographical tale will round out the actual Violet.

That proviso is the conundrum written by O. Henry, the three Johns, first John, how others see him; second John, how he sees himself; third John, who he really is. I now have had glimpses of the three Violets and have a grasp on who she really is.

In the seventies, there was a general move in the literary world to dust off women writers to appease the feminist reading public's

## PASSION BAY

Reviewed by Elisabeth Pyle  
of MGW STAFF

*Passion Bay* Jennifer Fulton, Naiad Press, 1992, 201 pages, \$9.95 paperback

It's summer time. The time to read books that take you far away from the smoggy Sacramento Valley and into a world of sandy beaches on a beautiful, woman-only island in the South Seas.

It's time to be caught up in an improbable romance and adventure that embroils a New Zealand woman escaping from the fear of the police, her ex-lover and the hurt

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she left behind and a cool Bostonian who was left the island in the terms of her aunt's mysterious will.

It's the time to fear the approach of a Hurricane named Mary and find if it is possible to begin all over again.

It may not be the most tightly written book of the season, but it moves the reader through the emotional hills and valleys that are universal to us all. Good summer escapism to realize that it someone else's life that we can live in the pages of the book.▼

demand for women's books. Publishers latched onto Virginia Woolf and mass produced her novels and her diaries. The diaries spoke of her old friend Vita and revealed that she was the model for the novel *Orlando*.

Vita was not the world's greatest writer but her writings are the stories of a woman in pre-world war I Great Britain. A woman of

## Don't Look Round Violet Trefusis

means and name - not the shop keeper or scullery maid variety. She had privilege and rank and the young Violet Chapel was a breath of fresh air in the stodgy Victorian world of Knole.

In Violet's autobiography, Vita is a shadow character. She speaks of the men in her life and her love of her family. The period of her youth boasts of her precocious behavior, in her teens she is the belle of Europe and the intrusion of the second world war is a chance to revisit Britain. The marriage to Denys varies greatly from the PBS series and, in essence, verifies Vita's emotional dismissal of Violet from her life.

A good reference book. A good opportunity to see Violet as she sees herself. A disappointing lesbian auto-biography.▼

## Murder In The Pentagon From A Mainstream Writer

Reviewed by Elisabeth Pyle  
of MGW STAFF

*Murder in the Pentagon* Margaret Truman, Random House, 1992, 291 pages, \$21.00 hardback; also available on Audio Tape

Margaret Truman, who has been entertaining mystery fans for years with her *Murder in " "* (name the Washington D.C. landmark) has branched out to write a mystery with a homosexual premise. Don't count on it being a spokesperson except for one important point - she doesn't make a big deal of it, but rather, it is one more piece of the puzzle.

My own belief that this is the way that I want mainstream writers to deal with gays and lesbians. We shouldn't expect a straight mystery to focus on the gay soldier accused of murdering the "is he or isn't he" straight scientist. We should expect

Tim Kelleher  
OF MGW STAFF

*CURES: A Gay Man's Odyssey* Martin Duberman, Plume Trade Paperback April 30, 1992 \$11.00 301 Pages.

At its most macabre, Martin Duberman's *CURES* clearly confirms the strongest sense of relief that we live in times accepting of human sexual orientation, rather than in those bent on fanatical conformity.

At its most political, *CURES* underscores that same sexual orientation with the mandate that it is central to our identity and, as such, we must resist any "false assimilation" into the mainstream. Indeed, at its most sensitive this painfully autobiographical panorama, written across three decades, folds together powerful self-discovery with a yeasty leaven of sexual confusion, baking up an intriguing "repression stew".

Served up with academic attitude, exceptional know-how, and a dry, white wine. Unhappy being a homosexual? Talk to this guy! Tired of being discriminated against? Duberman will provide you with some hair raising scenarios about religious/psychological/USA-type repression.

Twenty years or more are chronicled in this book. In the first person, and enriched by well selected diary and letter entries, this man's "odyssey" to sexual identity offers many benefits to a somewhat narrow audience.

pect a well written novel that captures our interest and entertains. Truman does this.

Truman has a female Air Force Major the protagonist in this tale. Margit Falk is a helicopter pilot and an attorney assigned to the Pentagon when the murder occurs. The military has a ready suspect and Falk, who has never tried a case, is given the duty of defending the gay Captain. She has no prejudices about the situation even though her fiancé and her fellow officers feel free to comment.

Falk faces the stonewalling of the military, the devious curiosity of the press, and the reticence of the Captain before finding the truth of the murder.

Truman, as always, entertains and provides enough inside information on the Washington scene to be a fine selection to round out the summer reading fare.▼

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# CURES: A Gay Man's Odyssey

Duberman's experiences as a well-educated, well-positioned, American academician are insightful to those of us (products) of the University environment. His academic career, similar to his interpersonal one, is frank while condemning, earnest while demanding, spontaneous while obsessive.

Sincerity is grafted at the appropriate places, startlingly poignant in face of today's global ethics. As reader, one's level of social consciousness is elevated, defining stereotypes, while prismatically inserting an activist call to ethical arms.

This is a moderately easy read. Don't be freaked by the small print. It moves fast. I found myself thinking I was watching a documentary on the events leading to the Stonewall incident and beyond.

As Distinguished Professor of History at Lehman College, CUNY, Duberman commentary on The '50s, '60s and '70s is a documentary on himself. As Author and Playwright, (with the social criticism of today screening less and less away), the language, the emotion, and the analogies of fantasy, coalesce smiling in our mirror of suspended beliefs.

In a way, growing up with Martin Duberman through this book helps to shatter many sacred cows. Putting into words the "mind games" so many of us well-educated, well-positioned, American types play so well. Chessman-like characters, sliming belly up, back down, across the good and evil

game board of conformity, oozing gay-man sincerity with fraternal braggadocio, "checking mate". And, yes, Duberman does get a little caught up in it and yet really all the better for the reader.

Observing an obsessive obsessing over the denial of being obsessive. Makes you think! Psycho-think. Shrink-think. Ethics-think. To wit Duberman's number of perspectives on any given subject being directly related to his level of guilt over being able to live as a homosexual.

The '50s, '60s, and '70s spawned some very peculiar remedies for sexual deviants, only a few involving drugs or electricity. The word "SAFE" was defined differently then. Integrity, honesty, manliness, sportsmanship; all wore thinner ties.

For my generation (40+), the remarkable words, the remarkable mental mechanics, and the inescapability of seeing oneself in this book makes it a good read. Add to that the backdrop of the emerging gay movement in New York, the liberal and new encounter groups, civil rights, Viet Nam, et al., and you have subject matter for dinner conversation with any one.

A bonus? Sure, why not! Tired of the same old stuff to write in your diary? Wish you had some really powerful and well written comments on living a meaningful, sexy, productive life? *CURES: A Gay Man's Odyssey*, by Martin Duberman, is loaded with em.▼

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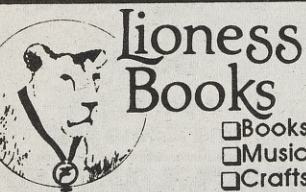
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## Sacramento Men's Chorus Looking For New Members

The Sacramento Men's Chorus is gearing up for a new season and is currently recruiting for singing and non-singing members. The chorus, under the direction of Carl K. Nalwai, Jr. recently returned from a performance at Gala IV in Denver, Colorado where they received rave reviews amongst the 70 other performing choruses.

The Sacramento Men's Chorus has sung with the Sacramento Symphony Chorus, the Golden Gate Men's Chorus, the Silicon Valley Gay Men's chorus, and the Karlsruhe Gay Men's Chorus from Germany. The chorus performs a variety of music ranging from a classical choral repertoire to selections from musicals and performs about three major concerts per year. The group also performs for fundraising activities, memorial services, senior citizen homes, as well

as many other venues.

This will be the first year that anyone who wishes to be a part of the vital organization may join as a non-singing member. Men and women are encouraged to join if you love music and wish to be part of a growing organization that requires a substantial support group to assist with many facets of production that does not require singing.

Rehearsals for singing members begin Sunday, September 13 and continue on Sunday nights through June. The chorus consists of men who have varied singing experience and skills. The Men's Chorus encourages all men with a love for singing to join them this season for a year of musical excellence and the warmth of wonderful friendships. For information: Frank Lawler, 444-5213.▼

## Sir Ian McKellen and Armistead Maupin in Benefit for Theatre Rhinoceros

Sir Ian McKellen, one of the world's foremost Shakespearian actors, and bestselling novelist Armistead Maupin will host a benefit for Theatre Rhinoceros on Monday, August 24, from 8-10:30 p.m. at the Fraenkel Gallery, 49 Geary Street, San Francisco.

Theatre Rhinoceros, which celebrates its fifteenth anniversary as America's oldest lesbian and gay theater company, opens its 1992/93 mainstage season with its production of *Bent*. The lead role of Max in Martin Sherman's powerful drama of faith and defiance among homosexuals in Nazi Germany was written especially for McKellen. The play debuted with McKellen in the leading role in May of 1979 at London's Royal Court Theatre. A decade later, McKellen reprised his role at London's Royal National

Theatre and performed in its subsequent West End run at the Lyttelton in 1990. The Tony award-winning actor (*Amadeus*) is currently in the Bay Area performing the leading role in *Richard III* at the Curran Theater.

San Francisco novelist Armistead Maupin is the author of the celebrated *Tales of the City* series, including the recent *New York Times* best-seller *Sure of you*. Maupin has just completed negotiations with Britain's Channel 4 which will produce six one-hour episodes based on *Tales of the City*, slated for broadcast in the U.K. in 1993. *Maybe the Moon*, Maupin's first novel since ending the *Tales* series, will be published in November of this year by Harper Collins.

Armistead Maupin remarks, "Ian and I are delighted to be hosting this event. Since its inception, Theatre Rhinoceros has advanced the cause of humanity worldwide by holding an honest and compassionate mirror to our lives."

Co-Chairs of the benefit for Theatre Rhinoceros are gallery owner Jeffrey Fraenkel and Theatre Rhinoceros board member Amy Schoenborn.

Benefit tickets begin at \$75 and may be obtained by calling 415-861-5079.▼

## Himovitz to Chair Academy Art Department

Sacramento's premier art gallery owner, Michael Himovitz has joined forces with California Academy of Merchandising, Art and Design to spearhead their expansion into fine arts education.

"Michael's background as a gallery owner and his association with the regions' finest artists make him the ideal person to guide us into this new area," said California Academy Administrator, Linda Weldon. "He agrees fully with the Academy's general business and communications core concept for all majors and feels it will assist art students in bridging talent and career," she added.

The first order of business for Himovitz is curriculum development and initial meetings have already been held with many artists to garner their support and assistance.

Consistent with the Academy's philosophy of blending the practical with the theoretical all classes will be taught by working professional as they are in its other programs.

"I'm Really excited about the opportunity we have to offer something unique and the timing couldn't be better. Those of us in the field are concerned as budgetary cutbacks are curtailing arts programs at all levels...maybe we can fill some of that gap," said Himovitz.

The Academy, which was established in 1982, is fully accredited and offers an Associate Degree in Merchandising, with an emphasis in either Visual & Display, Management, or Fashion. Enrollment is currently being accepted for Fall classes which begin September 28. Information: 649-8168.▼

## Eat, Drink and Be Merry!

Revelers, be they "fine Folk or fools," have been called to celebrate the Renaissance Pleasure Faire every year in Northern California since 1967. This year, the 26th Anniversary continues to bring to life ancient traditions of song, dance, theatrical entertainment, delicious

clothing and other wares from Africa as well as the Near and Far East are offered to Fairegoers. This was the Age of Exploration, the time of Drake and Raleigh; products from around the world were available to the Elizabethans and they were eager to try new spices, foods and



Sir Francis Drake, the Queen's loyal servant, commands one and all to "Eat, Drink and Be Merry" at the Renaissance Pleasure Faire.

foods, exotic wares and superb crafts — all offered to modern time-travelers as they step into the 16th century world of Elizabethan England.

The Faire is regarded internationally as the most historically correct Renaissance-period event of its kind in the United States and attracts visitors from across the nation.

This year, more than 1,200 costumed performers, musicians, dancers and actors will perform and entertain an estimated 15,000 visitors a day. The Renaissance Pleasure Faire is open weekends and Labor Day, September 5 - October 11, and is located at Black Point Forest's 240 acres in Novato, 30 minutes north of San Francisco in Marin County.

For photographers, the spectacle is a feast of color and beauty. Armored jousts are fought at the Horse Tournament; Shakespearean plays, dances and other robust entertainments are presented on six stages throughout the day.

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fabrics.

Eating at the Renaissance Pleasure Faire is a most popular pleasure! Exotic delicacies, hearty peasant meals, wines, beers, juices, fresh strawberries piled high with cream, hot meat pies fresh from the oven, meaty turkey legs roasting on the grill - all these and more treats tempt visitors to "eat" their way through the Faire. All Foods are either traditional English fare or are delicacies from the world the Elizabethans explored; all prepared authentically.

Several weekends at the Faire are dedicated to specific themes featuring cooking, costume and homebrewing competitions. In this, it's 26th year, the Renaissance Pleasure Faire celebrates three generations of participants and patrons - it is the "Year of the Family."▼

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Assemblymember Johan Klehs with Sacramento Bee Columnist Dan Walters and Assemblymember Pat Johnston.

Photos by Brian Ashby



# Marriage and the Traditional Family

By Eileen Gillis  
OF MGW STAFF

Marriage continues to be viewed as the "unspecifiable bedrock of society," and remains invested with the emotional force attached to norms of morality... (and to) institution(s) whose traditional status is essential "to ensure civilized society."

Why should lesbians and gay men want to enter the marriage system? Should we consider that marriage, in American law, is a normatively based institution. In other words, marriage is a political institution enforcing societies view of morality by legal rules, it imposes a definition which clearly means "good" values or norms, and the absence of marriage implies the absence of these values and norms.

Our legal system embodies this preference for marriage and gives it power. The system is complex in its structure and is intended to encourage participation in the marital in-

stitution. This coercion is accomplished by deference to a system providing couples, upon their marriage, with an intricate web of rights and benefits. For example, solely upon the basis of a "bright-line" distinction drawn between married and unmarried persons, the law and society confers government and private protections such as tax and employment benefits, insurance and health care coverage, probate designations, spousal testimonial privileges, support and visitation rights, family authority in medical emergencies, preferred immigration status, tort recovery for wrongful death, and certain Constitutional rights. Special rates are extended to married couples at private businesses such as insurance companies, lending institutions, airlines, automobile and travel clubs. Conversely same-sex couples are explicitly discouraged from establishing their relationships by being denied access to these benefits and by exclusion from any statutory protection.

The "marital function" is first described in the early history of English and American law as "the most important of human transactions,...the very basis of the whole fabric of civilized society," encompassing traditional family structure, widely understood to be "headed by a wage-earning husband attended by a homemaking wife and two children." Thus, the original structure of the marital institution reflected a desire to inculcate the American culture with certain values now associated with a nuclear family structure, which is further defined as patriarchal, white, heterosexual and middle-class. The unincorporated groups in this structure then include women who do not subscribe to a gender norm of subservience, people of color, bisexuals, lesbians and gays, the poor and others whose family living arrangements deviate from this ascribed norm.

Our legal system is a mirror of patriarchy, as we have designed the marriage institution as a system of rules and regulations to perpetuate male power of the patriarchy over women's lives. The roots of the patriarchal structure lie in English common law which provided that the traditional marriage contract recognized the husband as the head of the household. The husband and wife were one person in law. In other words, the legal existence of women was suspended during marriage. Married women, at common law, couldn't enter into contracts, dispose of property and were forced to adopt a husband's domicile.

Modernly, laws relating to marriage continue to enforce the patriarchal tradition, although the status of woman in society had gone through great change.

The traditional family structure of marriage also enforces other norms, including a gender norm which holds that the women are the family caretakers. The marriage structure also promotes legal racism, classism and homophobia as the nuclear family is commonly viewed as middle class and heterosexual. This view is untrue and oppressive to ethnic and racial minority families, gays and lesbians, working class families, and poor families. Current minority family living arrangements are often more varied and extended than the traditional white, middle class model of two parents and children. The result of the variety in these groups is that members of the groups are often oppressed for deviating outside the societal nuclear family norm. For example, these extended families cannot receive family benefits such as health coverage or tax benefits.

Finally, lesbian and gay men are excluded from the traditional family. As observed by Justice Burger in *Bowers v. Hardwick*, "to hold that the act of homosexual sodomy is somehow protected as a fundamental right would be to cast aside millennia of moral teaching." The marriage institution is a union of a man and woman, and members of the same-sex are precluded from entering into it.

In sum, the traditional family structure involves norms alien to many lesbians and gay persons. These norms include a preference for white, middle class, hetero-

sexual, subservient participants. As a result, the question becomes whether lesbians and gays should want entrance into an institution designed to enforce norms alien to most of them, which operates to exclude and oppress.▼

## Legal Rights of Lesbians and Gays: A Book That Should Be on Your Library Shelf

By Renee' Vorhies  
OF MGW STAFF

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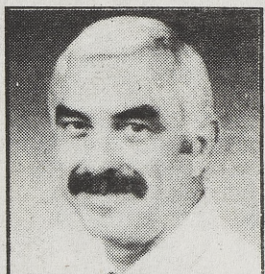
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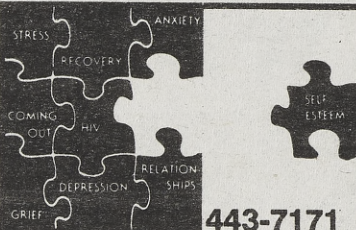
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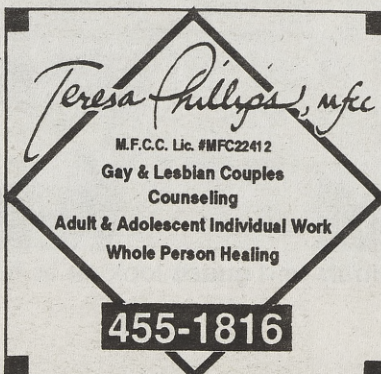
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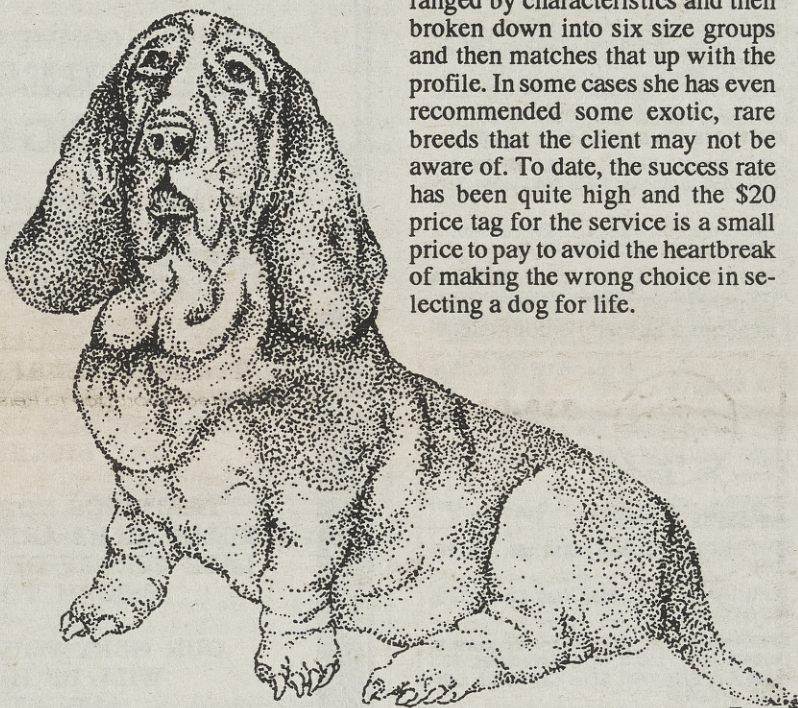
A friend recently asked how I had chosen the Pembroke Welsh Corgi as the breed of dog that I would live with, show and, occasionally breed. It is funny how a simple question can turn into a 20 minute dissertation on selecting the right dog for the family. I did not make the choice without considerable thought and evaluation. Of course, for me the decision really goes back many years and starts with my love and fascination with the collie.

Like most children of my generation I cried through *Lassie Come Home*, read every wonderful book that Albert Payson Terhune wrote about his incredible collies and always dreamed of someday owning one of those magnificent dogs. In my teens, living on my own and looking into acquiring my first dog, reality set in. Collies, while beautiful, intelligent and loving, were a high maintenance dog. I fortunately realized that I had neither the time nor the patience to maintain the coat, a collie's crowning glory. So, it wasn't surprising that I ended up with my first German shepherd, a herding dog, noted for intelligence and loyalty and a wash and wear dog to boot.

The shepherds were our family dogs for many years, fulfilling all of the expectations that I had dreamed of in a perfect family dog. They afforded us an opportunity to travel and see parts of the country we might not otherwise have ventured into had it not been for an involvement in the sport of dog showing. And then, in 1970 my sister mentioned that she wanted a Pembroke Welsh corgi. We looked, found one and when we went out to see it, my daughter fell in love and the pup came home with us instead. That happened just a few years before our last shepherd died and my life style took a sharp turn in a new direction. Knowing that I'd be traveling a great deal and with the kids grown, I'd be caring for any pets on my own, the corgi seemed like a neat dog to live with. Of course, a corgi looks a bit like a shepherd

with short legs and it is a herding breed, so it was aesthetically pleasing to my eyes and had all the characteristics of a big dog but packaged in a small body...and that is how corgi's became my breed of choice; one that has worked well for me and my lifestyle.

Unfortunately not all of us are that lucky in making the choice. Too often we obtain the dog of our dreams and it becomes a nightmare. The dog we grew up with on the farm doesn't necessarily adapt well to the city. Or maybe the cocker spaniel that was our childhood pal in a time when the breed was not ranked high on the popularity list of dogs, was a much mellower, less temperamental dog than the pup you obtain from the neighbor who knows nothing about breeding selectively for temperament and type. If you didn't research the breed prior to obtaining that Old English sheepdog, and the breeder didn't inform you well about coat care, that fluffy puppy is now a matted, flea infested horror that will cost \$75 to \$100 to clean up. Or the darling Pomeranian of our youth is more than we can handle as a senior citizen.



Just how do we go about selecting the right dog and avoiding the possibility of a disastrous mismatch. Samantha Cannon has come up with some solutions. Cannon, a management consultant for the state of California uses her psychology, social work background and extensive dog experience to assist people in making wiser choices through a three-page, in-depth lifestyle questionnaire. Using this as a basis for her findings, and supported by her experience as a long-time owner, trainer, and breed rescue volunteer,

Cannon, having researched over 145 breeds, puts together recommendations for the three best breeds for each applicant. Her findings are accompanied by carefully researched and well-written documentation on each of the three recommendations. And, according to Cannon, she will often include the names of several other breeds that might fit the bill as well if the first three don't work. She will also include information on where to find a breeder and what to look for in puppies when making selections. In addition, she might even suggest that an older dog of the "perfect breed" may be a better solution.

Cannon's service, Your Best Friend Canine Selection Consulting, grew out of a concern for the problems inherent in making the wrong selections. Too often a poor choice results in the dog being abandoned in the back yard and the family being miserable, being robbed of the joy that man's best friend is mythically supposed to provide. Or, the poor choice becomes the dog turned into the SPCA due to behavior problems that the people can't handle. Cannon developed a system with breeds arranged by characteristics and then broken down into six size groups and then matches that up with the profile. In some cases she has even recommended some exotic, rare breeds that the client may not be aware of. To date, the success rate has been quite high and the \$20 price tag for the service is a small price to pay to avoid the heartbreak of making the wrong choice in selecting a dog for life.

Write to Cannon at Box 188966, Sacramento, CA 95818 or call her at 682-3880. Fun On Four Legs: You and your pet can have a wonderful time at the upcoming Sacramento Dog Training Club's Obedience and Agility Workshop, Sunday September 6, at Fair Oaks Park, Madison Ave. and Fair Oaks Blvd, Fair Oaks. Action will start at 8 am in hopes of beating the heat. Pre-registration (due by September 2) is \$6 with a \$3 second chance for any obedience class and \$6 for agility. Day of entry fees are



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# SEPTEMBER

## ▼ 1 - Tuesday

Theatre Auditions, for *The life and Adventures of Nicholas Nickleby* with SCAT and A Moving Ensemble 7:30 p.m. Art Court Theatre 447-8859 for info.

California State Fair Cal Expo 924-2000

## ▼ 2 - Wednesday

Theatre Auditions, see 9/1

California State Fair Cal Expo 924-2000

## ▼ 3 - Thursday

GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro #B, S.F., 7pm, 415-861-4588.

California State Fair Cal Expo 924-2000

13th Annual West Coast Women's Music & Comedy Festival, near Yosemite, thru Sep. 7, W.C.W.M.F., 15842 Chase St., North Hills, 91343, 818-893-4075.

## ▼ 4 - Friday

Summer SAMMIES Concert, Buddy Tokes and Hiro, Free, 5 - 7:30 p.m. Plaza Park, 9th and J Streets.

Zia Regional Rodeo Albuquerque, NM, thru Sept. 6

California State Fair Cal Expo 924-2000

## ▼ 5 - Saturday

Lost Sight, a multi media installation, lecture and reception, Free, 5 p.m. IDEA, 3414 4th Ave, 452-0949

Renaissance Pleasure Faire Harvest Traditions Weekend Novato 1-800-52-FAIRE.

Chalk It Up To Sacramento Benefit for Galeria Posada featuring sidewalk paintings, food and craft vendors, and music. 9 am to 5 pm, 704 O St, 446-5133.

California State Fair Black Culture Day Cal Expo 924-2000

Artist Reception Lost Sight, Artists Jean Gallagher and Jim Lewis 6 - 8 pm, IDEA Gallery, 3414 4th Ave 452-0949

## ▼ 6 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

"Dreams: Toward the Next Rainbow", S.F. Civic Auditorium, 7:30pm, 415-621-6557.

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Rainbow Festival Street Fair, 10 am - 5 pm, 20th & K sts.

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## ▼ 7 - Monday

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California State Fair Cal Expo 924-2000

## ▼ 8 - Tuesday

S.A.G.A. Skate Party, King's Skate Country, 50 & Bradshaw, 8:30pm, 455-0986.

## ▼ 10 - Thursday

Common Sense Dog Training, puppies, beginning, intermediate and advanced puppies. Curtis Park Joan Guertin 485-2201

## ▼ 12 - Saturday

Russian River Jazz Festival, P.O. Box 1913, Guerneville, thru Sep. 13.

Renaissance Pleasure Faire Feast & Frolic Weekend and Elizabethan Cooking Competition Novato 1-800-52-FAIRE.

Camping Women Reno Balloon Races 361-8668

## ▼ 13 - Sunday

Renaissance Pleasure Faire Feast & Frolic Weekend and Elizabethan Cooking Competition Novato 1-800-52-FAIRE.

League Softball Championship, 21st & C St., 12pm.

## ▼ 14 - Monday

Nutrition & Your Health, SAF Training Space, 920 20th St., 2nd fl., 7pm, 448-2437.

Common Sense Dog Training, beginning, intermediate. Johnson Springview Park, Rocklin. Joan Guertin 485-2201

## ▼ 15 - Tuesday

Common Sense Dog Training, puppies, beginning, intermediate and advanced puppies. Elk Grove High School Joan Guertin 485-2201

## ▼ 16 - Wednesday

Business Alliance of Networking Gays, 7 pm Andiamo Restaurant, 3145 Folsom Blvd.

Common Sense Dog Training, puppies, beginning, intermediate and advanced puppies. La Sierra Park Joan Guertin 485-2201

Affirmative Action Day Luncheon celebration featuring cultural displays, speakers and resource fair. 10#0 to 2 pm, Gazebo Lawn, UCD Medical Ctr. 2315 Stockton Blvd

## ▼ 17 - Wednesday

Human Rights Awards, with Keynote speaker Dick Cable for the Human Rights/Fair Housing Commission, 6 p.m. \$25 Barbara Lehman, 444-6903 ext. 132 for tickets.



The Gay Softball League at 21st and C Street Park (Sundays, noon) featured the Wreck Room vs. Faces last weekend.

Photo by Jeff Lujan

## ▼ 18 - Friday

Summer SAMMIES Concert, Pope Alopes and Cake, Free, 5 - 7:30 p.m. Plaza Park, 9th and J Streets.

Women's Music Nite Alice Dimecele, Folk Performer \$5, 9 pm The Blue Mango in Davis

## ▼ 19 - Saturday

Renaissance Pleasure Faire Age of Exploration Weekend Elizabethan Costume Competition Novato 1-800-52-FAIRE.

Common Sense Dog Training, puppies, beginning, intermediate and advanced puppies. 6241 - 2 Fair Oaks Blvd Joan Guertin 485-2201

## ▼ 20 - Sunday

Latin Jazz Group "Rio", 12pm, Amador Country Arts Council, Box 217, Sutter Creek, 95685.

Renaissance Pleasure Faire Age of Exploration Weekend Elizabethan Costume Contest Novato 1-800-52-FAIRE.

Benefit for S.J. AIDS Foundation, Manteca Waterslides, 10am., 209-476-8533.

Folsom Street Fair 408-241-4447

## ▼ 21 - Monday

S.A.G.A. IV Skate Party, King's Skate Country, 2900 Bradshaw, 8:30pm, \$5, 635-1535.

Sacramento Women's Chorus First rehearsal 6:30 Trinity Presbyterian Church 424-4411

## ▼ 22 - Tuesday

Theater Auditions, for *The Boyfriend*, Sacramento City Actors Theatre. 558-2228 for info.

Los Lobos in concert, UC Davis, 757-3199

## ▼ 23 - Wednesday

Theatre Auditions, see 9/22

## ▼ 24 - Thursday

Theatre Auditions, see 9/22

## ▼ 25 - Friday

Women's Weekend 21 at the Russian River, call Fife's at 800-734-3371 or the Woods at 800 479-6637.

GSQRA RODEO. San Diego, Thru Sept 27 Summer SAMMIES Concert, Little Charlie & the Nightcats. Free, 5 - 7:30 p.m. Plaza Park, 9th and J Streets.

Chinese Magic Revue, UC Davis 757-3199

Sacramento Blues Festival Featuring Chuck Berry. Old Sacramento 5 pm to midnite, 558-3912

## ▼ 29 - Tuesday

AIDS Outreach Volunteer Training A continuing series of Safer Sex trainings for women and men. Lambda Community Center 6 - 9 pm 442-0185

# AUGUST

## ▼ 15 - Saturday

SSPCA Crafts Fair Show & Sale, SSPCA, 6201 Florin-Perkins Rd., 10am, 383-PETS.

Comic/Singer Monica Grant, SACWN, Unitarian Meeting Hall, 2425 Sierra Blvd., 486-8985.

US Canoe & Kayak National Championship, Aquatic Ctr, Hazel Ave near US 50 985-7239

Taste of Sacramento Food, celebrity chef demonstrations, entertainment and auction. free Hyatt Plaza, K St. betw. 12 & 13 11 am - 8 pm.

Lambda Players 7 pm Lambda Players, Lambda Center, 20th & L 442-0185

## ▼ 16 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

Barbeque & Auction, Women's Cultural Productions of Chico, 916-872-0503.

Taste of Sacramento Food, celebrity chef demonstrations, entertainment and auction. free Hyatt Plaza, K St. betw. 12 & 13 11 am - 6 pm

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World Sprint Outrigger Championship Aquatic Ctr Hazel near US 50 thru 8/22. 985-7239

## ▼ 17 - Monday

ACT UP Action, Republican National Convention, Houston, thru Aug 20, 202-328-AIDS.

S.A.G.A. IV Skate Party, King's Skate Country, 2900 Bradshaw, 8:30pm, \$5, 635-1535.

Lambda Players 7 pm Lambda Players, Lambda Center, 20th & L 442-0185

Community Health: AIDS and Substance Abuse "HIV/AIDS in Africa" 9 am - noon. Free St Josephs Medical Center Auditorium, Stockton.

Men's Coming Out Group 5:30 pm, Lambda Ctr 20th & L, 442-0185

## ▼ 18 - Tuesday

"Art & Psychosis", Salvador Roquet, Galeria Posada, 701 O Street, 7pm, 446-5133.

Estate Planned-giving, seminar with Stephen Westlake and Scott Turnbull focusing on giving in one's lifetime, sponsored by SSPCA, free, res. 383-PETS by 8/14

ACTUP 8 pm, Lambda Ctr 20th & L, 442-0185

Lambda Players 7 pm Lambda Players, Lambda Center, 20th & L 442-0185

PFLAG, "How We Understand each other: How we relate to each other" 7:30 pm Lower Auditorium of the Sanctuary, St Marks United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Marks Way.

Heart to Heart HIV + support group, 6:30 - 8 pm SAF training space, 920 20th St 448-2437

Community Health: AIDS and Substance Abuse "Public Information Panel" 9 am - noon. Free St Josephs Medical Center Auditorium, Stockton.

## ▼ 19 - Wednesday

Business Alliance of Networking Gays, 7 pm Andiamo Restaurant, 3145 Folsom Blvd.

The Men's Session, A fun, sex-positive and informative workshop. SAF Training space, 920 20th St, 448-2437

Lambda Board Meeting 8 pm, Lambda Ctr 20th & L, 442-0185

Lambda Players 7 pm Lambda Players, Lambda Center, 20th & L 442-0185

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## ▼ 20 - Thursday

The West and the Rest Art lecture by Dr. William H. Gerdtz 7 pm Crocker Museum, 216 O St. 264-5423

# THEATRE

## CALL FOR TIMES, COSTS, ETC.

California's Original Theater Co., Madame Mao Sept. 4 thru Sept. 20. 922 12th St., Box 188471, 95818, 442-2399.

Chautauque Playhouse, 5325 Engle Rd., Cam., 489-7529. "Rumors", Sep. 4-Oct 11; "Other People's Money", Oct. 23-Nov. 29.

Delta King Theater, 1000 Front St., Old SAC, 444-KING.

Elk Grove Theater Co., P.O. Box 2144, Elk Grove, 95759, 441-8447. "Much Ado About Nothing", Aug. 14-29.

The Piper Playhouse, Drytown, 415-592-2520. "Bad Day at Dry Creek," thru Sep. 5.

Foothill Theater Co., Box 1812, Nevada City, 95959.

Theater Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St., S.F., 415-861-5079. "One of These Days...", Jul. 30-Aug. 22; "Bent", Sep. 10-Oct. 17; "A Queer Look (at the holidays)", Nov. 12-Dec. 19.

Idea Gallery Theater, 3414 4th Ave., 447-

Lambda Community Center, 1931 L St., 442-0185, "Original Script", Jul. 25-Aug. 23; "Spare Parts", Oct. 2-24.

"Best of Broadway, Loretto High School, Hiram Johnson Aud., 65th St. & 14th, 482-5846, Sep. 11-26.

SAC City Actors Theater, 3835 Freeport Blvd., 558-2228.

Sacramento Theater Co., 1419 H St., 443-6722. "The Immigrant: A Hamilton County Album", Sep. 18-Nov. 22; "The Heidi Chronicles", Oct. 2-25; "A Christmas Carol", Nov. 27-Dec. 24.

The Show Below, 22nd & L St., 446-2787. "Shirley Valentine", Sep. 11-Oct. 17; "Equus", Nov. 13-Dec. 19.

Music Circus, 1419 H St., 557-1999. "Cabaret", August 17-23.

# GALLERIES

Archival Framing Gallery, 1729 L St., 444-9624. Snowcones in August, featuring works of Alan Short Center students. Aug 5 - Aug 28.

Crocker Art Museum, 3rd & O St., 264-5423. Landmarks of Early California Painting, thru Sep. 27; Early 20th Century California Painting, thru Oct.; Humanism Revisited, thru Aug. 2; From Watkins to Weston: 101 Years of California Photography, Aug. 16. Nancy and Alan Gerbault: Coup De Grace, Aug 7 - Sep 20.

Himovitz-Miller Gallery, 550 Pavilions Ln., 925-5917. "Stepping into the Season," Sep. 8-Oct. 3.

Joyce Abreu Gallery, 3712 Auburn Blvd., 488-1211.

Matrix Gallery, Fine Crafts at Matri 9217251 St., 95814, 441-4818. I

John Natsoulas Gallery, 140 F St., Davis, 756-3938. All Creatures Great and Small benefit for Yolo Co. SPCA Aug 8 - Sep 20.

Michael Himovitz Gallery, 1020 10th, 448-8723. Julia Couzens, Judi Keen, Don Satterlee, Sep. 9-Oct. 3.

Paragary's, 28th & N Sts. Raku and Clay works by James Sedlar and Valentino Fernandez. Thru Aug. 21

SAC Valley Photographic Art Center, 702 57th St., 95819.

Spectrum/Himovitz Gallery, 511 Harrison, S.F., 415-495-1113.

IDEA Gallery Lost Sight a multi media presentation by Jean Gallagher and Jim Lewis. Sept 5 to Oct 17, 3414 4th Ave 452-0949

The Shenandoah Gallery, 12300 Steiner Rd., Plymouth, CA, 209-245-4455. Pat Conway, Jul. 1 - Aug. 26; Claire Oak, Jaded Andrews, Pat Conway, thru Aug. 24. Carol Attoe, Suzan Goodban, Barbara Milman, Sep. 6 - Oct. 28.

Viewpoint Gallery, 702 57th St., 95817, 451-3063. "Viewpoint", Aug. 10-Sep. 4.

Where 27, 2331 J St., 448-1264.

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